

St. Laurent Plans Visit To Truman Feb. 12

Poverty, War Fear, Problems

John Gunther, author of "Inside Europe," who returned to Europe last summer for an extensive tour, goes behind the Iron Curtain.

By JOHN GUNTHER

One misconception about the Iron Curtain is that it is solid, opaque and made of iron. Actually it is full of chinks, and it was through an obvious chink—the railway line of the Orient Express—that we entered Yugoslavia. The 21-hour trip to Belgrade was a fascinating experience.

I knew this train well before the war. It was, and is, one of the most celebrated trains in the world. Its various sections covered half of Europe; it was like a blue steel worm assembled and then cut apart, crawling over the swell of the continent and rejoining in various places; it set out from Calais, Paris or Amsterdam and ended up in Bucharest, Istanbul or Athens, a neat blue worm again.

Perhaps it was innocent of me, that warm summer night, to expect to see once more the long line of sleek blue sleepers waiting in the Trieste station.

What we did see was exactly one blue car—and it was hooked onto what seemed to be partly a freight train, partly a series of dilapidated cars made of match wood. We got aboard, and discovered that we were the only passengers in the entire sleeper. The next car, too, a Paris-Belgrade coach, was as empty as a gutted trash can. The train crept out of the dark station, and I felt almost as if it were a ghost train, somehow stealing back to a lost past, like a train in a movie by Alfred Hitchcock.

Cheerful Amidst Dirt

Empty! By morning it had become the most inordinately crowded train I have ever been in, except for the single sleeper, which now had two more passengers.

We tried to force our way through half a dozen coaches to the dining car; we had to push and crawl and struggle, inch by inch, through masses of people jammed together in the aisles like raisins in a pack. Gypsies; barefooted old men; soldiers in greasy uniforms; peasant women literally in rags; live chickens—these were our companions. Breakfast, when we got there, was a chunk of dark bread tossed on a dirty table and a lukewarm liquid that might have been tea; the dirtiness of the waiter surpassed anything in my experience. But everybody was cheerful, animated and polite.

All over Europe the trains are insufferably crowded, and the reason is quite simple. Most traffic by road has disappeared, on account of shortage of gasoline, and very little new rolling stock has been built since the war.

Hour after hour the spectacle of Yugoslav life poured out before us as we puffed slowly across the country. What struck me most was the children. They looked literally wild—wolf-faced. They were pinched and prematurely aged by reason of the tragedy of the war they somehow managed to live through. Young girls looked like boys—their faces hard and tense with no trace of make-up, wearing trousers, their hair cropped short or coarsely braided—and the boys looked like old men.

Journalism is not, we well know, an exact science. I can attempt to report scrupulously what I saw, but there was plenty that I didn't see. And, even restricting myself to the barest kind of factual report, almost every sentence needs qualification or amendment.

Vitality, Confidence

For instance, it is incontestable that Yugoslavia is a police state, and equally incontestable that it is afflicted by the most savage poverty. Yet I felt an over-all impression of great vitality, elan and confidence. The government represses the bulk of the people—in theory for their own future good—but Tito himself is popular with many. Hardship, disgruntlement, hatred, hope and faith are intermingled.

But before discussing Yugoslavia in general, let me say another word about apertures or chinks in the Curtain. Certainly the satellite states are isolated enough, and it is Moscow policy to make them more isolated all the time, but some rays of light do get through, and it is my conviction that with the passage of time—provided war does not come—the satellites will yearn more and more for contact with the West.

Anyway, just for the record as of the time we traveled, you could still buy a railway ticket from Paris all the way to Istanbul through three satellite countries (of course it will be prudent to have your visas in good order), and you can still fly from Prague, say, or even Warsaw, to any European capital. You can still cash an American Express check in Belgrade or Zagreb, buy the Paris edition of the New York Herald Tribune on the streets of Budapest, and telephone Chicago from Prague. And you will see the American flag outside the U.S.I.S. libraries in each capital.

Only Border Sealed

Travel is absolutely cut off between Yugoslavia and Greece. This border is hermetically sealed so far as official relations between the two countries are concerned and no traveler will get through, unless he happens to be my friend, Homer Bigart.

(See John Gunther, Page Two.)



Snow Snarls Morning Traffic On Four-Mile Hill

Early morning travelers skidded and slithered to a halt on the Four-Mile Hill today as a thin layer of snow made the highway almost impassable. Here, at the southern end of the hill, buses, passenger cars and a light delivery van line the roadway as they await arrival of a Provincial Works Department crew to help them out of their predicament. Dangerous road conditions were also reported on all roads north of the Malahat and work crews were dispatched early this morning to attempt to clear the way for island traffic.—(Island Events Photo)

LATEST Cardinal Mindszenty Pleads Partly Guilty

Hungary Expels U.S. Diplomat For Spying

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Communist government of Hungary has expelled a U.S. diplomat on suspicion of spying, the state department reported today.

Stephen A. Kozak, 31, second secretary of the legation at Budapest and vice-consul, was ordered out of the country on 48 hours' notice, Jan. 29.

15 Injured In Snow

VANCOUVER (CP)—Fifteen persons were injured Wednesday night and early today as a fresh snowfall stepped up the city's accident rate.

Buzz-Bomb Hurtle 15 Miles In Alaska

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP)—A speeding buzz-bomb, believed to be the first ever fired in the Arctic, hurtled a distance of 15 miles in the first of a series of U.S. Air Force experiments in the Far North.

It was 10 below zero Wednesday when the huge projectile, known during the war as the German V-1, roared from a mobile launching ramp at the Ladd Air Force base near here.

Air-Crash Inquiry

EDMONTON (CP)—An inquiry was started today into the Great Slave Lake air crash that claimed three lives. R. Keetley and J. Currie, Edmonton transport board department officials, left here by plane today for the crash district.

Watchman In Grave Condition After Explosion Near Duncan

Fred Massey, C.N.R. watchman at Tyup, small railway station near Koksilah, is in grave condition in King's Daughter's Hospital, Duncan, today following a freak accident Wednesday night. Massey was apparently removing a pressure cap on one of two oil cars at the siding as part of his regular duties when an explosion threw him 50 feet into the air.

Provincial Police from Duncan who were called to the scene shortly after 10 last night to attend an engine fire at the station found Massey lying in several inches of snow. They say he

must have struck his head on the engine when thrown by the explosion.

The fire was of a minor nature and was quickly extinguished by police.

Massey was working alone at the time of the explosion. Police were called to the scene by Bob Easton and Neil Duggan, who noticed the engine fire from a distance.

K. Arthur Bell, transportation assistant for the C.N.R. at Victoria, left the city at 11 last night after being notified of the accident. He and provincial police are continuing to investigate the case.

Two Mercy Planes At Cambridge Bay

EDMONTON (CP)—TWO R.C.A.F. Dakota aircraft, en route to the Cresswell Bay area to bring aid to an Eskimo village, a number of whose inhabitants are reported to have been wiped out by a mysterious disease, have arrived at Cambridge Bay, air force officials announced today.

The two planes will base at Cambridge Bay, some 500 miles south of the hamlet of Cresswell Bay, 400 miles inside the Arctic Circle and 1,000 miles north of Churchill, Man.

Battleship Returns

OSLO (Reuter)—The 29,000-ton British battleship Royal Sovereign, expected to reach the Firth of Forth, Scotland, tomorrow on her return by Russia after a wartime loan, was seen passing the Marstein Lighthouse, south of the Norwegian port of Bergen tonight.

St. Laurent On Air At 8

Prime Minister St. Laurent will speak on "Canada, an Adult Nation" over the trans-Canada network of the CBC tonight at 8. The broadcast will be carried by CBI.

Find 2 Bodies In Crumpled Wreckage Of Crashed Plane

BARRIE, Ont. (CP)—A seven-man salvage party today found the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Castelli of Library, Pa., in the crumpled wreckage of the aircraft in which they crashed on Lake Simcoe ice Wednesday.

The seven started out before dawn and were forced to wade through heavy snow to reach the plane, half submerged in offshore ice, 75 miles north of Toronto.

The metal fuselage of the four-seater plane which crashed during a snowstorm was jammed together like an accordion. Mr. Castelli, 41, and his 37-year-old wife were flying from Library, a Pittsburgh suburb, to North Bay. They planned to go ice-fishing on Lake Nipissing with the husband's cousin, Albert Butti.

Russians Learn Of Stalin's Statement But Not U.S. Answer

MOSCOW (AP)—Prime Minister Stalin's statement Wednesday that his doctors would not allow him to undertake a long trip is the first time his health has been referred to, directly or indirectly, in the Soviet press for many years.

There seems to be a unanimous opinion here, however, that any tendency there may be abroad to conclude on the basis of his statement that Stalin is ill or in weak condition, probably is wrong.

The Soviet press and radio told the Russian people today of Stalin's statement about a meeting with President Truman—but no mention was made of State Secretary Acheson's Washington statement in answer.

SAY THEY CONFERRED

The Russian newspapers also displayed prominently a dispatch under a Paris dateline which in turn quoted a Washington report that Truman and Acheson had conferred for 40 minutes Monday on Stalin's original statement that he had no objection to a meeting with the President.

One dispatch said Stalin's answers had created "complete confusion in the camp of the imperialists." Another said the answers were an "exploding bomb" in the camp of "the warmongers, creating a complete panic."

City Hall Breaking Up; Needs \$300,000 Work Inspector Says

Immediate repairs of a major nature are required at the City Hall, it was reported today by J. W. Oosterink, building inspector, who said a portion of the sidewalk beside the hall on Cormorant Street will be barricaded because of the danger of bricks falling from the dilapidated building.

He estimated it would cost \$300,000 to renovate the hall completely and he is asking the City Council to give early consideration to improving the building.

The question was discussed by the City Council last year when, on recommendation of Mayor Percy George, a committee was named to study his suggestion that the ground floor of the hall be renovated to include stores which the city could rent.

The mayor's idea was that store space in "the hall" would eliminate a "blind spot" in the Douglas Street shopping area.

Expected To Talk On Matters Vital To Both Nations

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent, scheduled to visit President Truman in Washington Feb. 12, is not expected to take any of his top advisers with him, it was learned today.

This would be an indication that he does not expect to enter into any detailed discussions of the many vital matters of common interest to the two countries.

The attitude of the Prime Minister on this point is understood to be that as a guest of the President he will talk about whatever Mr. Truman chooses to bring up. He will have no agenda.

Completing Security Pact Draft

Negotiations in Washington looking to completion of a North Atlantic Security Pact draft, slowed a bit during the inauguration of President Truman and the shift that brought in Dean Acheson as new Secretary of State, it was learned here today.

The government feeling here, however, is that the final draft will be ready for signature not later than mid-March and a complete public statement of its contents may be issued well in advance of the signing.

The government agrees with C.C.F. leader Coldwell, who argued in the House of Commons that the pact should have economic as well as security implications.

Pacts completed in the face of possible danger and the need for mutual defence measures are likely to be forgotten when the danger disappears unless held together by more permanent and continuing objectives.

Moscow Gesture To Be Debated

Mingled hopes and fears concerning the latest gestures from Moscow looking toward a possible conference between Premier Stalin and President Truman are understood, to describe the Canadian government's reaction to the immediate situation.

No official statement has been issued, but it is expected the whole field will be covered when External Affairs Minister Pearson speaks in the debate on the Throne Speech in the Commons, possibly tomorrow.

Meanwhile, it is known the government is inclined to be wary of placing too high hopes in the proposal. Mr. Pearson issued such a warning in a recent radio talk.

Lower B.C. Mainland Gets Another Fall Of Wet Snow

VANCOUVER (CP)—Winter struck another blow at the British Columbia lower mainland today—another fall of heavy, wet snow.

Eight inches of snow fell on the higher levels, with about five inches in downtown Vancouver, where traffic moved over icy streets at a slow pace.

No relief was forecast in the grim power situation, and drastic restrictions on the use of electricity were enforced in Greater Vancouver, New West-

minster and Fraser Valley districts.

Reservoirs in watershed reservoirs in the north shore mountains were dangerously low, sufficient for only 10 days under normal conditions, and for only 28 days if the 30 per cent power cut now in effect is successful.

Only rain can save the situation, power officials said, and none was in sight today.

The Weather Bureau forecast clearing skies, and colder weather during the night with a low of 26 degrees above zero. The mercury touched 30 early today.

Bricks-Crumbling

The building inspector said he had ordered erection of a barricade around part of the sidewalk on the north side of the building because worn-out gutters have allowed the old bricks of the building to become saturated with water.

"The bricks are crumbling and are being pushed out. They'll start to fall one of these days and I'm not taking any chances on anyone being struck," he said.

Mr. Oosterink said also the frost and cold weather has damaged the roof of the hall, and leaks have developed recently in many parts of the building.

"We've got to do something about the whole building soon," he said.

One Woman's Day

By NANCY HODGES

FROM A TRAIN WINDOW

ALTHOUGH I SHALL BE HOME by the time this appears in print, it is being written on the journey from Ottawa, for I am nearing the end of the nearly 3,000-mile trip.

Traveling is never a particularly pleasant experience at this time of the year, and the train is bumping over tracks which have heaved badly in the intense cold, so that typing becomes even more of a hit-and-miss problem than usual with me.

As I am one of those people who get out for a constitutional at every whistle stop, I have seen something of what winter does to trains and tracks. At every divisional point and wherever time permits, workers have laboriously prodded and pried great boulders of ice loose from beneath the coaches. Yet at the next stop you will see equally big fresh accumulations created by way-below-zero temperatures.

'DAVIS VILLA'
I ALSO HAPPEN to be one of those who find the passing scene—and my fellow-passengers—far more interesting than any book or magazine, so never weary of looking out of the window. That's why I noticed the isolated shack-like cottage tucked away in the wilds of Ontario.

It was miles and miles from anywhere, but some hours out of Fire River—a misnomer, by the way, for a place which boasted 44 below zero. The only sign of life was the smoke which came out of the tiny chimney, and the husky dog tethered to a buckboard, who looked up in very bored fashion as we sped by.

What amused me was the very nicely painted signboard hung above the door and lettered in black with the words, "Davis Villa." As it receded into the distance, I idly wondered if a letter addressed to "Davis Villa, Ontario," would find the tenant of that little home.

HORSES AND CHILDREN
WITH SNOW AND STORM conditions playing havoc with time schedules, we saw places which usually one passes, like ships in the night, unaware of their existence.

I saw Gogama, Ont., for instance, for the first time and it gave me a chilly welcome. The temperature was about 18 below and the wind was driving the snow in a biting sweep of icy particles. Just as we arrived around noon, children were pouring out of the little schoolhouse, muffled to the ears, and tumbling gaily in the deep snowdrifts.

Three boys, using an upturned bench as a toboggan, were using it up and down a small incline, while two dogs ran up and down with them, barking furiously and evidently enjoying the fun just as much as the lads.

SNOWMOBILE STORY
TWO WIDELY-CONTRASTING VEHICLES were held up by our train for 20 minutes at the crossing. Nearest us was a snowmobile, looking like a caravan mounted on skis at the front and rubber-tired caterpillar tracks at the back.

Behind it was a horse-drawn open buckboard, on which stood a man looking inadequately clad against the driving snow, frozen and blue with cold.

Suddenly, the snowmobile, with its three occupants, started backing so smoothly and swiftly that, before the man behind realized it, it had bunted the horse. The startled animal reared and plunged aside, throwing the standing driver into a snowdrift. He soon emerged, unhurt but indignant, by which time the snowmobile had vanished into the distance.

'OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS'
SPEAKING OF SNOW, I never before remember crossing Canada in the winter and seeing snow everywhere from the Pacific coast eastward. The whole of British Columbia lay under a white—and in places not-so-white—pall.

No matter what the cynics from elsewhere may say, that really is most unusual. As is the sight of the Fraser River frozen over for miles near its mouth, its snow-covered surface unbroken even by a ripple in many places.

Recalling the indignation that publicity bureaus and boards of trade in this province have expressed over Kipling's "faux pas" in dubbing Canada "Our Lady of the Snows," I have a feeling that his shade somewhere may be rubbing his hands and saying "I told you so."

After all, the year in which he wrote that may have been an unusual one, too!

Canada Protests Hungarians' Arrest Of Cardinal Mindszenty

OTTAWA (CP)—A strongly worded Canadian government protest against the arrest of Cardinal Mindszenty, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Hungary, who went on trial today in Budapest, has been sent to the Hungarian government, External Affairs Minister Pearson today told the Commons.

The minister read the diplomatic note and interpreted one phrase, listing the charges against the cardinal, as meaning: "We don't believe them."

The protest was also directed against the arrest and "persecution" of high dignitaries of the Lutheran and Calvinist churches in Hungary.

Mr. Pearson, replying to questions asked by members, said the Canadian government "strongly condemns and deplores this further case of religious persecution by the Communist government of Hungary."

He said the government would similarly condemn "any case of religious persecution in any country."

ASKED FOR INFORMATION
Cardinal Mindszenty's arrest was announced by the Hungarian government on Dec. 27. The next day the Canadian government, as a signatory of the treaty of peace with Hungary, moved to obtain all available information.

This, Mr. Pearson said, was "with a view to taking any action under the peace treaty which might be effective in halting religious persecution in Hungary."

It was found that joint action with other signatories was not possible and that an attempt at joint action "might have had an effect contrary to that which was desired."

Subsequently the Canadian ambassador in Washington, Hume Wrong, was instructed to hand a note of protest to the Hungarian minister there. Canada has no diplomatic representative in Budapest.

Rural Teachers' Pay Hearing Soon
Arbitration proceedings are scheduled soon in the requests for salary increases by school teachers in rural district No. 63 of Saanich. District 63 extends from Royal Oak to beyond Sidney.

Fifty teachers are involved in the issue and the arbitration hearing will be in offices of the Greater Victoria School Board. It may start early next week.

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but this is the only case in the whole area where communications aren't fairly normal, provided you have the proper papers.

Never once, incidentally, did we have our papers tampered with, nor were we ever followed so far as we know. Never once did we have to show a passport, except for routine examination at the frontier or when registering at a hotel, nor did we ever have to produce any special passes or documents of any kind. What is even more striking, customs inspection at the various borders was casual in the extreme. Hardly ever did we have a bag opened.

Need Salt With Offers

Finally in this field I have to report that officials of at least two satellite governments told us almost impudently that they would like to have more American visitors, that they would refuse nobody a visa, that they hoped not merely for a revival of trade but of tourist traffic, and that they would like to see instituted a systematic exchange of such categories of folk as students, teachers and technical experts of all kinds. This offer should, of course, be taken with several shovelfuls of salt. Most officials in this part of the world are definitely suspicious of American policy, even if they are friendly to individual Americans, and if Americans came in large numbers they would be carefully watched.

Also, the conference last summer of so-called intellectuals at Wrocław, Poland, which was pretty much of a flop even from the Communist point of view, showed how crude and inflexible is the Russian attitude toward any intellectual exchange and how impossible it is for Westerners and Easterners to get together on any productive basis so long as the Russians and their satellites use the lie—not merely the distortions of propaganda but the lie direct—as a direct instrument of policy.

No Russians Visible

Speaking of Russians, we never saw one. The world outside may assume that this whole area is overrun by Russians; nothing could be farther from the truth. Russian influence is profound, of course, in all four countries—even Yugoslavia—but there are no Russian citizens in any important government post in any satellite state, so far as I know. (On the other hand, most of the satellite chieftains were Russian-trained, and they visit Moscow often.) Russian garrisons, called "communications troops," exist in Hungary and Poland, but they are carefully segregated and kept out of sight.

In summary, if I were asked to name the two chief common denominators of the whole region, I would say that they were (a) poverty, and (b) fear of war.

Tomorrow, in his third article, Mr. Gunther will examine the break between Tito and the Kremlin.

South Africa's Provincial Vote May Decide National Race Issue

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter)—Next month's provincial elections in South Africa may determine whether the government will pursue its racial segregation policy.

Prime Minister Daniel Malan, head of the Nationalist administration which came into power last year, has announced that if his party leads the voting in the council elections he will regard it as a mandate to go ahead with legislation promoting racial segregation.

The provincial councils are independent bodies responsible for education, health, roads and other things. The elections are always run on party lines although matters of national policy are seldom involved. The elections will begin March 9.

Malan's plan is to alter by simple majority the clauses in the Union constitution governing voting rights of non-Europeans. Natives now are represented in parliament by special white members. Other non-whites, such as Indians, have voting rights in some provinces. Malan's party wants to do away with native representation and deprive all non-whites of the right to vote.

NOT JOINING FIGHT

The Afrikaner Party, led by Finance Minister Nicholas Havenga, on which Malan's Nationalists depend for their parliamentary majority, has announced that it will not contest the provincial council elections. It has disagreed with the Nationalists on the allocation of seats.

At the dissolution of the provincial councils last November the United Party led by Field Marshal Jan C. Smuts had large majorities in the Transvaal, Natal and Cape Province. The Nationalists had a large majority in the Orange Free State.

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Higher Court Dismisses Appeal Of Drug Agent

Appeal Court dismissed the appeal against conviction and sentence of William Kushnik, who was found guilty by a Vancouver Assize Court jury on two counts of unlawfully possessing narcotics.

The court rejected the appeal to lighten the seven-year penitentiary term imposed by Mr. Justice H. S. Wood last Oct. 18. Kushnik was described at his trial as a link in a Canada-wide drug ring which has its headquarters in Toronto. It was alleged Kushnik was controller of a Vancouver narcotics factory and responsible for the distribution of the drugs to agents, who in turn sold the drugs to addicts.

Approximately a pound of morphine valued at about \$200,000 on the illegal market was found in Kushnik's possession.

R.C.M.P. officers trapped Kushnik when he picked up a package of morphine mailed from Oshawa, Ont., to a boy named Dean, one of the star witnesses in the Vancouver drug trials last fall.

Fight Results

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Red 'Peace Manoeuvre' Not To Disrupt Western Unity

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States served notice on the world today that it will allow no Russian "peace manoeuvre" to disrupt the growing unity of the non-Communist western powers.

That was the real significance seen by diplomatic officials here in State Secretary Acheson's rejection of Premier Stalin's latest declaration of his willingness to hold a meeting with President Truman.

MAKE MOST OF IT
American diplomats in western as well as eastern Europe were expected to make the most of this new and detailed statement of Washington's determination not to make any direct side deals with the Soviet Union at the possible expense of other countries.

The Secretary of State at a press conference Wednesday turned thumbs down on Stalin's latest proposals.

He did it in such a way as to directly accuse Stalin of playing international politics with his statement last Sunday. That statement expressed a willingness to meet Truman for the purpose of considering a Soviet-U.S. "pact of peace."

Twice in his statement, which analyzed Stalin's Sunday declaration point by point, Acheson asserted the United States would not play politics with the world's peace hopes.

He made it clear that in his opinion it would be useless for a U.S. President to travel "half around the world" for the fourth time to meet Stalin and make a pledge of peace when both Russia and the United States are already pledged by the United Nations not to resort to war.

The secretary commented on all the questions in a manner which officials said, was designed to make clear (1) where the responsibility for failure to get peace lies and (2) why the United States believes that no lasting results could be obtained through a Truman-Stalin conference.

Little Boy Loses Life
EDMONTON (CP) — Three-year-old Michael Kozlak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kozlak of Edmonton, was burned to death today when fire destroyed the Kozlaks' three-room frame home.

The Japanese invented the folding fan in the seventh century.



VOLUNTEERS—Capt. George W. Magladry, medical officer from Fort Ord, Calif., volunteered to parachute into a snowbound Arizona mountain sector to give aid to a group of stranded Navajo school children, and was flown into the isolated area by a helicopter. (NEA Telephoto)

Graham Air Delegate

OTTAWA (CP) — Transport Minister Chevrier announced today the appointment of Stuart Graham, government superintendent of air regulations, as Canada's delegate to the Air Navigation Commission of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

The new commission was formed from an air navigation committee established a year ago under I.C.A.O. Mr. Graham was its chairman.

The name Australia was first applied to a group of south sea islands.

Cost-Of-Living Report To Be Issued Friday

OTTAWA (CP) — Canadians will learn Friday whether the cost of living really is on its way down.

At 2 p.m., C.S.T., the Bureau of Statistics will release its cost-of-living index and disclose whether this official barometer of living expenses actually is on the downward path. The index will cover price trends in the holiday season period from Dec. 1 to Jan. 1.

FIRST BREAK IN NOVEMBER

The last report, issued Jan. 5 and covering the period from Nov. 1 to Dec. 1, showed the first break in the index in 23 months, with a drop of seven-

tenths of a point to 158.9. It had been the first decline of any consequence since the immediate postwar period of September, 1945.

Since then, Canada's economists, and the little man who foots the bills, have been awaiting the report covering the following month—December—to see whether the November decline was a flash-in-the-pan recession. Unofficial speculation here is that the index will either remain unchanged or show a further small decline and that, in any event, it won't be up.

It was the food group, the driving force in the 23-month rise, which provided the lever for the November drop.

Stefansson Says Aversion Exists To Development Of Canada's North

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask. (CP) — The Hudson Bay Route Association, advocating increased use of the northern sea lane to and from the Manitoba port of Churchill, have been told there is antipathy towards development of the north in Canada.

Vilhjalmur Stefansson, veteran Canadian-born Arctic explorer, told the association's sixth annual meeting Wednesday night that the Soviet Union is colonizing its northland with as much enthusiasm as there is antipathy towards a similar project here.

NO ENTHUSIASM

In Canada and the United States, Stefansson said, it is considered unorthodox to speak with enthusiasm about the northland, but the opposite is true in Russia.

The association, meanwhile, voted to continue its pressure

for increased use of the Hudson Bay route and for lower marine insurance for ships voyaging between Churchill, the United Kingdom and other parts of Europe.

Secretary Frank Eliason of Saskatoon reported that field agents had secured 1,500 signatures to a petition urging development of the route. The petition will be forwarded to the federal government.

W. C. Streeton of Plunkett, Sask., re-elected president, said greater use of the Hudson Bay route would mean savings for the prairies.

The association was told that interest in the northern route was developing steadily, with a substantial increase being noted in memberships, which rose from 323 in 1947 to 3,931 last year. Both individuals and business concerns were responding, Mr. Eliason said.

Alberta Liberals To Have Federal Candidates Ready

CALGARY (CP) — Alberta Liberals today tackled the problem of whipping their organization into top shape following a warning that they should prepare for an early federal election.

The warning was issued Wednesday to more than 200 delegates attending the opening session of the two-day annual Alberta Liberal Association convention by J. Harper Prowse, leader of the Alberta Liberal Party.

Resolutions on provincial policy and organization were discussed today.

Mr. Prowse told the convention that Prime Minister St. Laurent had informed him during a recent visit to Ottawa to get "his federal candidates ready in two months for the coming elections."

He said the people may have acted wisely in voting Social Credit in the recent Alberta election in order to have a "friend at court."

However, since most people felt the Liberals again would form the next federal government, Albertans should vote for Liberal candidates rather than for Social Credit.

Reconstruction Minister Winters told the delegates the Liberal Party had guided the country from the status of a colony to that of a country.

He urged Alberta Liberals to work within the party organization for the future of both Canada and the party.

Canada, he said, is expected to set an all-time Dominion record this year for construction of new

dwelling units. Last year, 81,000 units had been completed.

He said his department already had a backlog of some \$100,000,000 worth of projects ready to be started if a decline should set in from the present prosperous times. It was hoped to increase that amount to \$300,000,000.

Asks C.C.F. Support Of Margarine Ban In B.C.

VERNON, B.C. (CP) — J. R. Freeze, vice-president of Shuswap-Okanagan Dairy Industries, will present a demand for the continuation of the margarine ban before the provincial C.C.F. convention at Vancouver Feb. 5.

Representing Salmon Arm district farmers, Freeze charged Wednesday the provincial government knows margarine containing from 38 to 48 per cent water is being sold.

If the ban is removed, he said, he will demand that manufacturers be prevented from using butter-like coloring, and that all ingredients be plainly marked on containers.

Weather

Weather synopsis and official forecast issued at 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 3, by the Dominion public weather office at Vancouver, valid until midnight Friday, Feb. 4.

Synopsis — After a 24-hour period in which considerable snow fell throughout the province conditions are improving slowly today. Polar air however is moving southward over B.C. and the outlook for tomorrow is clearing skies and lower temperatures.

Vancouver and vicinity, lower Fraser Valley, Georgia Strait — Overcast today with snow during morning. Overcast tomorrow morning clearing in afternoon. Wind light. Colder tonight. Low tonight and high tomorrow Vancouver airport 26 and 35, Abbotsford 26 and 35, Nanaimo 26 and 35.

West coast Vancouver Island — Overcast today. Clear tomorrow. Wind light. Cold. Low tonight and high tomorrow Estevan 25 and 40.

	Min.	Max.	Precip.
Montreal	-9	21	
Toronto	-9	21	
Winnipeg	-23	-10	Trace
Brandon	-24	-12	Trace
The Pas	-24	-12	Trace
Regina	-26	-13	Trace
Saskatoon	-26	-13	Trace
Prince Albert	-114	6	
North Battleford	-18	5	
Lethbridge	-17	7	
Calgary	-28	5	
Edmonton	-27	5	
Kamloops	-16	27	
Vancouver	20	32	35
Victoria	24	37	Trace
Cranbrook	-6	11	Trace
Prince Rupert	-7	22	
Prince George	-13	16	10
Seattle	-27	39	50
Portland	-27	39	50
Chicago	-19	25	35
San Francisco	-41	58	55
Los Angeles	-28	58	55
New York	-20	31	25
Spokane	-16	27	1
Whitehorse	-13	1	25



FRIENDSHIP CLUB RULED AS LEGAL—A pyramid club fan hugs Judge Stanley Moffatt as spectators roar approval of the district attorney's decision to withdraw prosecution of the first friendship club "test case" in Huntington Park, Calif. Judge Moffatt, who also appeared as a witness in the trial, ruled the clubs are legal and not a violation of lottery laws. (NEA Telephoto)

Cheaper Australian Wheat For Britain

CANBERRA (AP) — Government sources said Wednesday Australia has offered to sell Britain and India cheaper wheat this year.

The offer was said to cover around 85,000,000 bushels.

Britain was offered 60,000,000 bushels at 12s 6d (\$2.01) and 13s 6d (\$2.17) an Australian bushel, one source said. Last year Britain paid 17s for 80,000,000 bushels of Australian wheat.

The lower price would be for wheat for Britain's own use. The higher rate would be for wheat Britain would re-export.

Australia was said to have offered India 25,000,000 bushels at around 13s 6d a bushel. Last year Australia sold India 28,000,000 bushels at 18s 6d.

A condition of Australia's offer is that the price should be reduced to the maximum which might be agreed upon in any international wheat agreement.

Work Progresses On Telephone Office

LAKE COWICHAN—Work is progressing rapidly now on the new B.C. Telephone office, which is situated on Riverside Drive. The foundation was laid some time ago but bad weather held up construction.

72 U.S. Navy Ships To Be Inactivated

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. navy said today it will have to lay up 72 ships, including 15 top-line fighting vessels, and cut its strength by 30,000 men to meet President Truman's 1950 budget.

Secretary of the Navy Sullivan said three Essex-class carriers, nine light cruisers and three anti-aircraft cruisers have been picked for inactivation.

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LESS PRETENCE—MORE ACTION

NEWSPAPERS THE WORLD OVER ARE giving a good deal of space and comment to the latest Stalin "interview" with a roving member of the Fourth Estate. The political head of all the Russians has announced that he would have "no objection" to meeting President Truman for the purpose of reaching some kind of peace agreement between the two nations.

If the Prime Minister of the Soviet Union is really desirous of contributing something practical toward the cause of an enduring peace—and his representatives' signatures on the Charter of the United Nations presupposed sincerity of purpose in the late spring of 1945—he will forthwith address an official communication to the President of the United States setting forth his desires. So far, however, Mr. Truman has obtained all his information about this latest gesture from the newspapers. Surely the Marshal of Moscow is not so foolish as to believe that the head of the government of the wealthiest nation on earth would act upon the answers to a series of hypothetical questions posed by an enterprising reporter—regardless of the potency or otherwise of statements thus evoked.

Nor should it be forgotten that Mr. Truman recently said he would be glad to welcome Mr. Stalin to Washington at any time; but it is obvious that the Chief Executive of the United States does not intend to leave this continent unless he can be persuaded beyond a doubt that something of a practical and worthwhile nature might be achieved by his doing so. In any case, as indicated yesterday, he will not enter into any new "peace" parley which leaves other countries "out in the cold." By another token, of course, none will seriously question the validity of the Russian Prime Minister's disinclination to embark on a long journey to this side of the world in defiance of the dictum of his medical advisers. Incidentally, the Generalissimo and his colleagues of the all-powerful Politburo should remember that the major part of the travelling to and from international conferences during the last seven years has been done by British and United States statesmen—by heads of state and ministers of high responsibility.

Notwithstanding this historic fact, and recognizing, too, that the day of appeasement is long past, Prime Minister Stalin should have sufficient imagination to realize that an unequivocal demonstration of honest purpose might even wean the President of the United States from the rigidity of his decision. But it is natural that Mr. Truman would require more proof than is visible at the moment with which to justify his departure from Washington at this crucial juncture of affairs in his own country. His 148,000,000 constituents would look askance at another wild goose chase, another excursion into the doubtful realm of ideological conflict, without a previous form of guarantee from the international "boat-rocker" that, at long last, reason and common justice would be permitted to prevail.

To convince the outside world that Russia really has made up her mind to throw in her full weight on the side of peace and progress, to win the respect of his own war-weary people and that of right-thinking people everywhere, therefore, Prime Minister Stalin knows what to do, if he does not use his latest "interview" and the controversy it has inspired for this purpose, if he does not convince the western democracies of his bona fides, if he does not proscribe the Moscow press and radio diatribes against nations still in the enjoyment of their four freedoms—if he does not measure up to his responsibility as the head of a great state—he will miss a priceless opportunity to serve mankind.

UNFOLDING DESTINY

HISTORY BOOKS NO DOUBT WILL record as one of the most outstanding developments of this period of ideological conflict the rise of the United States as an international power. Within the space of a few years our great neighbor has thrown off the influence of those who saw her destiny as lying in a policy of isolation, of restricted diplomatic dealings, high tariff walls and inward contemplation. It took two world wars to reverse that attitude, although the main reaction to these stimuli has been seen in the comparatively short period beginning with Pearl Harbor. The intervening years have revealed the full growth of an international outlook. Isolationism is confined to small sections of the population and recognized propagandists such as Col. McCormick and his Chicago Tribune. The vast body of American citizens now realize that they have indeed become a world power in the full sense of the term.

United States financial and military commitments are to be found in almost every quarter of the globe. Countries in the Far East, the Middle East and Europe are depending heavily on American support for their continued progress. South

America, Canada, Britain, the Pacific basin—all are deeply penetrated by American funds and influence. American troops are in occupation of a country in the heart of Europe nearly four years after the close of hostilities—a far cry from the situation at the end of the First Great War, when the national urge was to shake the dust of Europe from American boots as quickly as possible and close the door on "foreign entanglements."

The modern trend has led to a point where a president of the neighboring republic can stand up—as President Truman did in Washington this week—and say with complete truth that "the world looks to the United States for leadership in its quest for peace and the welfare of the people," and add that his country must head off economic disaster by carrying out a job of "world planning." It has been no easy period of history in which a young country had to achieve maturity. Canada has experienced the same problems of international participation, although on a lesser scale. And no observer would presume to say that the United States has yet "arrived." Many problems must still be surmounted; many mistakes will be made. But the die has been cast; no return is possible. Leadership has been thrust upon that great nation, whose people may well reflect that "heroes are made, not born."

WHAT DO THEY FEAR?

THE CASE OF THE HUNGARIAN GOV-ernment against Cardinal Mindszenty will have gained no strength, in Western eyes, from the Communists' action in barring foreign news correspondents from the Budapest today. The government—has refused to grant visas to the dozen or more newspaper and news agency representatives who have been attempting to enter the country in order to write first-hand accounts of the conduct of the trial. Routine news from Hungary is covered by resident nationals, who, however, operate under government supervision and control. Budapest authorities have given as their reasons for refusal to admit outside correspondents the "lack of facilities" in the capital and the "great rush of visa applications."

Such excuses will carry little weight in the free countries. This reluctance to expose the court proceedings to the objective reporting of foreign observers will do nothing to bolster Hungarian attempts to substantiate the charges against the Cardinal. Actions which must be cloaked and censored take on an air of spuriousness. Treason trials in partial secrecy, confessions obtained under duress, evidence carrying heavy suspicion of deliberate manufacture—these will not impress the citizens of countries where justice, as public and civil rights are guaranteed.

USING THE WASTE

NO DETAILS OF THE MANNER IN which they are collected are given in the brief story from Port Alberni stating that wood chips and waste material are now being converted into \$1,500,000 worth of pulp annually at the Bleodet, Stewart and Welch Co. mill. The fact that such material is achieving the value placed upon it by the up-Island interests, however, indicates substantial progress in the utilization of materials that used to be thrown away. Experts who have studied forest operations in the Scandinavian countries, particularly Sweden, have frequently pointed to the prodigality of our local industry. The Swedes, they have said, use even the splinters for some purpose, and virtually nothing is wasted when a tree is cut down.

It may be some time before British Columbia lumber operators reach that point of efficiency; but the goal is not impossible of attainment. We are told, for instance, that North American packing houses have succeeded in using everything but the pig's squeal. And with the increasing emphasis now being placed on the avoidance of waste in our forest industries, the ultimate in utilization of by-products should not be too far distant in a nation of our ingenuity.

OFF AGAIN, ON AGAIN

E suggest a new version of an old saying: "Uneasy lies the head that wears a presidential topper," for the South American republic has just experienced its sixth revolution since the beginning of 1948. President J. Natalicio Gonzalez has taken refuge in the Brazilian embassy, along with one or two faithful cabinet members, while the rest of the country's government has launched out on a reform move. Senor Gonzalez had been in control for only five months, having led a revolution himself to attain the presidential office. During that time, with a view to ensuring permanence, he had thoughtfully outlawed all opposition parties. But his regime proved too much even for his own supporters. A group of them formed a secret clique within his Colorado party and drove him from power.

Paraguay, like some others of its South American neighbors, has become known for the casual, and, to our way of thinking, unorthodox, manner in which governments change hands. Fortunately most of the uprisings are bloodless—but we prefer a little less vivacity and a little more constitutionality in our parliamentary processes: something in which the paths of glory need not necessarily lead to the sanctuary of a friendly embassy.

The country is getting in the groove. The chain letter craze has broken out in a new form.

Mr. Louis St. Laurent

By BRUCE HUTCHISON

Condensed from the Winnipeg Free Press
FOR A PRIME MINISTER, under our system, Parliament is the acid test. A man may be wise in council, popular on the hustings and skilled in the management of party organization, but if he cannot control the delicate chemistry of Parliament he must fall as Prime Minister.

The acid test of the Canadian Parliament is being applied to Mr. St. Laurent. In it the man behind the reputation will soon emerge. And as long as he heads it, the politics of Canada will be largely the image of that man.

If the character of Mr. St. Laurent is largely obscured by the reputation it is mainly his own fault. A curious shyness, unknown in any of his recent predecessors, unconsciously distorts his portrait in the public mind. At first meeting with a stranger this shyness is maintained as a kind of protective armour, but not for long. Within five minutes it drops off suddenly to reveal the composite thing we call the Canadian, the authentic article by birth, instinct and environment.

AUTHENTIC BECAUSE Mr. St. Laurent comes from the two great bloodstreams of the Canadian race, out of the oldest inhabited soil of our country, from ancestors who have known nothing but Canada for three hundred years, from the environment of poverty, danger and struggle in the Canadian wilderness which has made us what we are.

By accident only Mr. St. Laurent is Prime Minister, the most improbable accident in our political history and one of the most fortunate. By nature he remains the product of the village with a tenacious grip on the earth.

The fortunes of his trade as a lawyer and, briefly, as a politician, have surrounded his life with abstract problems but its essential interest is in human beings, its only pleasure in small domestic things. He is first the family man, the father and grandfather, the head of the bustling house, and secondly the public figure.

NO ONE COULD be less aware of the harsh light which beats on public office. He is not aware of it enough. He takes you into his office, as one might ask a neighbor into the house for a chat.

For information about every section of the country, about all kinds of people and all the minutiae of a broad and lonely nation he is insatiable. With all his education, his experience in the law and his participation in great events, his process of education is still fully underway. His colleagues and assistants say he learns fast. Their problem is to keep up with him.

IN PRIVATE HE reduces all the complexities of the budget, for instance, to the dimensions of a cracker-barrel argument in the village store. When he talks of social reforms they are no longer a bloodless calculation on a ledger, but the actual effect of our changing society of individual human beings.

When such a man comes to supreme power, unwillingly almost unwittingly because he was obviously the right man, without serious competitor, his rise must be a symbol of some deep stirring in the stuff of Canada.

It is more as such a symbol than as a personal achievement that Mr. St. Laurent's career is one of the most significant in our entire history.

IT IS SIGNIFICANT because a man regarded as a French-Canadian has risen above all racial friction to become the leader of the nation. That happened once before in the very different personality of Laurier. The significance of Mr. St. Laurent in the stream of our history goes much further, for he is the French Canadian out of isolationist Quebec who, along with the late Ernest Lapointe, has done so much to destroy isolationism as a theory and a fact. His career, in that sense, is no accident, but the revelation of historic forces beyond his or any man's control. His achievement was not in creating these forces but in recognizing them suddenly, late in life, when most men's minds are closed, and guiding them with a sure hand.

WHEN MR. ST. LAURENT entered politics against his wishes he was at the time of life when a man usually is settled in his ways, resists change and longs for the better days of his youth. Mr. St. Laurent takes things cheerfully as they come with a boundless optimism. The prospect does not disturb him. He does not expect the world or Canadian society to be cast in any clear mould of the Left or Right. His search is always for the practical thing, as it turns up day by day. Labels do not interest him very much.

In the howling confusion of politics in Washington, London, Ottawa and Lake Success, he was never thrown off balance, because he had been compelled all his life to make up his own mind.

THEREIN WILL BE found the key to Mr. St. Laurent's character and to his work as Prime Minister. The key is his ability to sort out the essential from the trivial, to see great affairs in simple terms. His mind, so unlike Mr. King's, is rapid but never complicated.

All this makes for a stable and a happy man. Mr. St. Laurent is certainly the most stable and probably the happiest in Ottawa. This is evident in his unlined and ruddy face, his constant chuckle, his unhurried speech, his merciful ignorance of tension. He does the best he knows how, day by day, and goes to bed to sleep well.

Good! If He Can Only Keep From Stumbling



Loss Of Trade Means Loss Of Jobs

By E. L. R. WILLIAMSON, M.B.E., From Ottawa

(This is the third of a series of articles dealing with the vital problems of Canada's trade.)

EVERY farmer is familiar with the fact that finding a place to sell his crop at a fair price is much more difficult than finding a place to buy fertilizer, feed, and all the other things for which he expends the proceeds from the sale of his produce. Every town-dweller has found it much more difficult to find a job, than to find a grocer, an haberdasher, or butcher who is willing to take his money. A man must look long and hard for his income, but he has only to whistle when he wants to spend.

TWO VITAL MARKETS

So also with nations in the business of international trade; it is the market which must be energetically sought and carefully maintained.

In the case of Canada, there are two vital markets: The other nations of the British Commonwealth, i.e., the "Sterling Area," and the United States. As we saw in the preceding article, export markets are indispensable to our economic well-being, and of all our exports in the 80 years since Confederation, the Sterling Area and the United States have taken 85.4%.

Of these two markets, the Sterling Area has been the more important in income produced. In the 80-year period, the Sterling Area has taken \$23.6 billions' worth of Canadian products, or 48.3% of all Canadian exports. The United States has taken \$18.1 billions' worth, or 37.1% of the total. These proportions have been remarkably consistent throughout the whole of Canada's economic history; the effect of

the dead past does not distort the present-day facts.

But valuable as the money figures are in measuring the importance of Canada's export markets, there is a yet more significant yardstick: the number of jobs for employees and the number of livings for the self-employed which these markets provide. If the production of \$1,000,000's worth of commodity "A" requires the employment of 500 men, while the production of \$1,000,000's worth of commodity "B" employs only 50 men, it is obvious that the sale abroad of "A" is much more important to the nation as a whole than is the sale of "B." Agricultural products and manufactured goods are in class "A"—they have a high "labor-content"; forest products, minerals, and fish are in class "B"—they have a low "labor-content."

EMPLOYMENT FACTOR

If we examine our exports from this standpoint of "labor content," we find that in 1946—a typical year—85% of our exports to Sterling Area fell within this class "A," high labor-content category. Expressed in terms of employment and income, Canada's trade with the Sterling Area provided a livelihood for one and one-quarter million Canadians in 1946.

In the same year, 75% of Canada's exports to the United States were of low labor-content category, and they provided direct employment for less than one-quarter of a million Canadians—one-fifth of the employment provided by our British trade although the monetary value was only 3% lower.

REAL IMPORTANCE

This does not mean that our

American market is unimportant, it is very important, and the approaching exhaustion of America's mineral resources make that market both secure and expanding.

We are, however, in imminent danger of losing our Sterling Area market, and we must understand that the American market never can make up for that loss. In order to do so, the U.S. would have to do one of two things, either take the goods which we now sell to the Sterling Area, or increase their purchases of the type of goods which they now buy, until an equivalent amount of employment—not dollar value—was provided for Canadians.

As regards the expansion of sales of the goods now taken by the U.S., it is sufficient to point out that if we doubled our sales to the U.S., and also doubled the employment in those industries, but at the same time lost all our Sterling Area trade, we might reach a dollar-value equivalent in our export trade, but we would be left with one million unemployed.

In short, any conceivable increase in our American trade could not prevent disastrous unemployment arising out of a loss of our British trade.

STERLING AREA

The analysis of our external trade in terms of employment and income provides incontrovertible proof that the economic well-being of Canadians has, for the past 80 years, depended upon the maintenance of the Sterling Area market. To ask whether Canada will continue to need the Sterling Area market, is merely to ask whether most Canadians will continue to need to eat.

China—And Moscow's Decision

By JAMES THRASHER from New York

A GOOD deal is being said and written these days about the Chinese Communists' peace terms and possible compromises leading to a coalition government. But whatever the terms of compromises, the Communists now seem certain of victory. And they seem equally certain to wind up in sole control of the government.

ALL OR NOTHING

They may get this complete control by military or political means. They may act immediately or bide their time. But if the pattern of Communist conquest is anything more than coincidence, they ultimately insist on all or nothing, whatever their methods.

In Poland the Communists seized control by armed occupation. In Czechoslovakia they accomplished the same thing by threats of force and political trickery. In France they pushed these—these—nothing—because they held a slim parliamentary majority of members and friends at one time, the setup apparently was too shaky.

The Red forces in China are inheriting a situation comparable to the one in Russia when the Bolsheviks came to power. They are displacing a weak, corrupt government. The economy is collapsing. The few are fat and the millions are hungry. The country is weary from years of interminable war.

ELEMENTS OF POWER

This inheritance carries the elements of tremendous power. It carries an active threat to the United States and other free countries. That much is evident. What is not evident is how the Communists will exploit these two advantages, once they take complete control.

The threat, though active, may not be immediate. A good deal of mopping up might have to be done. The Chinese people, unlike the Russians of 1917, are descendants of an ancient civilization. History gives repeated examples of their conquest of conquerors and their stubborn resistance to change. The Communists may run into a popular indifference that is almost as

troublesome as opposition. They may also have to undertake a purge of the war lords, who still seem to have considerable strength and popular support.

If and when this is done, the rest of the world may look for some important developments. Will the Red conquerors choose a course of peace that will enable them to start stabilizing, restoring and industrializing China? Or will they use the country pretty much as it is for a base from which to strike at other troubled areas in Asia in the hope of bringing the whole vast continent under Communist domination?

WORLD'S HOPE

These decisions will very likely be made in Moscow, and on the basis of conditions in China as well as of strategy. The free world's best hope—though not its only one—is that the wrong decision is made and failure results. In the light of past history and present conditions, that hope may have a stronger basis than wishfulness.



By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Associated Press News Analyst
PREMIER STALIN'S second unofficial bid for a "peace" talk with President Truman in Communist territory has met sharp rejection.

However, the manoeuvre has evoked a clear-cut declaration of American policy which should clear the air.

The Stalin overtures, both made in the form of answers to questions by an American correspondent set tongues racing around the globe. That was a natural reaction in a world which is sick of strife.

The immediate reaction in western capitals and among close observers was that Stalin was engaged in a propaganda game. As this column has previously pointed out, they figured he was making a peace offensive to lull the western world into a feeling of security and so soften the increasingly effective drive against the Reds.

INTERESTING SIDELIGHT

It is an interesting sidelight that he specified Russia, Poland or Czechoslovakia as the meeting place. He did this on the ground that his doctors wouldn't permit him to travel as far afield as Washington.

President Truman is willing to see Stalin in Washington, but has no intention of going abroad for a meeting. That's that.

State Secretary Dean Acheson in a press conference declared in substance that Stalin had raised no real issue for Soviet-American settlement. Said he:

"You will notice that the purpose of the meeting has to do with arrangements . . . for issuing a declaration which is already the subject of solemn treaty commitments."

The secretary further laid down this edict: The President isn't interested in meeting Stalin for the purpose of issuing a declaration of "peace" because the United States already is pledged to peace in the United Nations' Charter.

U.N. PROBLEM

Acheson also pointed to Stalin's statement that Russia "naturally" would co-operate with the United States in reducing arms, and said this had been a U.N. problem for three years. A solution of this and of the control of atomic energy had been frustrated by the Russian veto.



OUTGROWN PRIVY COUNCIL

Edmonton Journal

Canada has "grown up" and like the matured son, must now face the world as an adult nation. We have outgrown appeals to the Privy Council. Fortunately, Canada has always possessed vast wealth in legal intelligence, at bar and on the bench, and we have no fears for the future of Canada's courts of law. In many respects they are now and will be an example to the world.

BIRTHS IN PRISON

Windsor Star

Magistrates of Manchester, England, are urging that expectant mothers be compelled to have their babies outside prison. It is disclosed that 11 babies were born last year in one jail in that city.

Surely responsible authorities, in Britain, Canada or any other civilized country should not have to be urged in this regard. It is shuddering to think of infants, innocent of any wrong themselves and victims of the evils of others, entering the world behind grey prison walls.

IN DISGRACE

The Times of London

There is nowadays so large, and so involuntary, an element of altruism about the making of money that the process is in some danger of going out of fashion. The more we make, the less of it we are allowed to keep for ourselves, and the tycoons to whom the Chancellor of the Exchequer leaves only sixpence out of every pound they amass can be forgiven for wondering whether the game is worth the candle. They do not in all cases derive, from the thought of the considerable sums which their own enterprise is making available for disbursement upon the common good of all, as lively a satisfaction as perhaps they should. The making of money has ceased to be synonymous, from the individual's point of view, with the accumulation of wealth, and the stuff itself, what with its general scarcity and its greatly enfeebled purchasing power, was never in worse odour. If anybody could think of something that we can use instead he would be hailed as a benefactor.

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Favre, well-known Australian professional golfer, mailed two postcards — one to his fiancée, now his wife, and the other to his sister.

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22 Whip

26 Beverage

27 English river

28 Measure of area

29 Musical note

30 Northeast (ab.)

31 Symbol for lithium

32 Courts (ab.)

34 New Guinea port

35 Lampreys

37 Hairless

38 Feminine name

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43 Frequent

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Exporters Warned Against Trading With Argentina

OTTAWA (CP)—The Bank of Canada Wednesday cautioned Canadian manufacturers and exporters against doing business with Argentina "for the next few months at least."

The cautionary note was sounded by a high officer in the bank, following Tuesday's action by the Argentine Central Bank in Buenos Aires, temporarily discontinuing the granting of foreign exchange for any purpose.

He said the Argentine's financial structure was not sound. The central bank in Buenos Aires was in the throes of organization change. Its reserves of United States dollars were depleted.

Pending new regulations in the Argentine for making payments to foreign countries, Canada will lose a well-developed postwar market for farm implements, newsprint, seed potatoes, railway cars, rubber products and electrical goods.

The Bank of Canada officer said: "Our chances of selling down there now and getting paid in cash are pretty poor."

Protests Ending Of Low Freight Rates

VANCOUVER (CP)—Cancellation of lower freight rates on more than 120 items westbound for Vancouver was protested Wednesday by W. A. Rundle, manager of the transportation bureau of the Board of Trade.

In a telegram to the Board of Transport Commissioners, Mr. Rundle said cancellation of "commodity" rates, on grounds there is no movement of commodities which fall under the rates, was without foundation. The cancellation is effective Feb. 12.

The rates were set partly to enable shippers to move goods at a cost that does not put them at a disadvantage with competitors in certain areas.

Mr. Rundle said the cancellation announced by the Canadian Freight Association Wednesday would mean that many products, including some footstuffs, machinery and asbestos fibre, would go into a higher rate.

Hears New Evidence In Rape Conviction

Four new witnesses testified in Appeal Court Tuesday to give fresh evidence on behalf of Thomas William Buckle of Vancouver, sentenced to four years in the penitentiary on a charge of rape.

Buckle was convicted Oct. 15 and sentenced Oct. 18 in Vancouver Assize Court before Mr. Justice M. Coady for the rape of Betty Lou Stephens, 21-year-old domestic helper, last Oct. 8.

After hearing the evidence of the witnesses, Appeal Court decided to wait for lawyers from both sides to present written arguments on whether the fresh evidence was properly admissible before passing judgment on Buckle's appeal against conviction.

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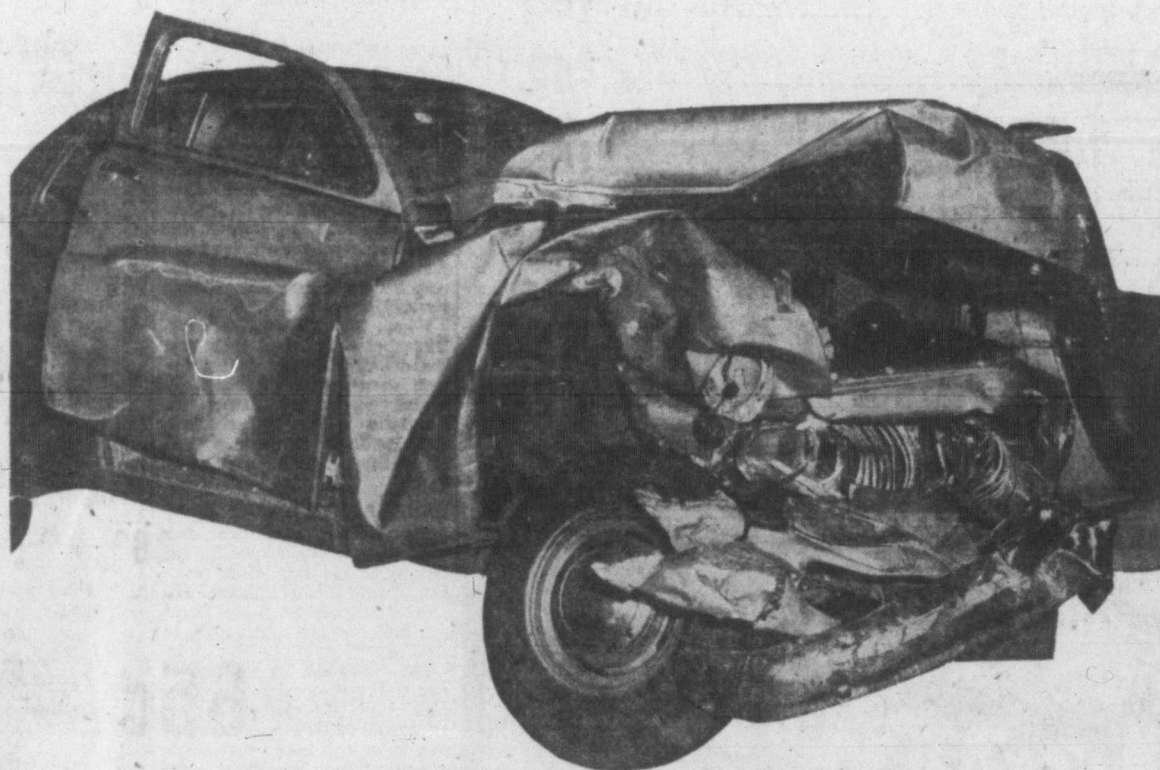
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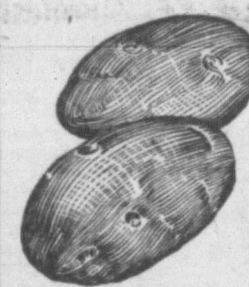
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Solarium League Raises \$3,800

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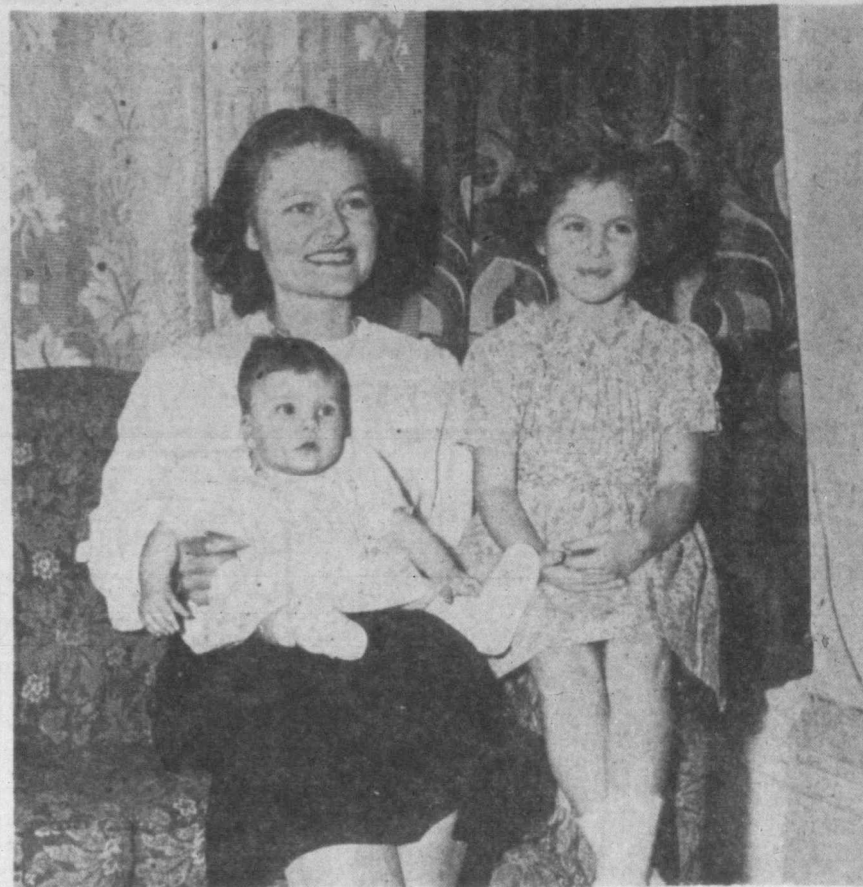
Other reports included that of Miss Betty Marr, who stated that proceeds from Starlight Theatre totaled \$275; Miss Betty Fraser, who announced proceeds from match folder sales amounted to \$90.62, and Mrs. B. Holmes, who reported that \$643.30 was realized at the Snowball Frolic.

Miss Sheila Morgan is convener of a photographic exhibition by Royce, F.L.P., which the league is sponsoring, to be held Feb. 11 and 12.

It was announced that a percentage of proceeds from the Golden Gloves tournament would be received by the Solarium. Miss Iris Birchall has been named convener, and her committee includes Misses Fay Eldridge, Zeno Emery, and Marguerite Hinkman.

Mrs. N. Damaskie reported that proceeds from the toy auction, Oak Bay Fire Department totaled \$49.60.

Miss Helen Colman left this morning for Port Alberni, from where she will sail for England, via the Panama Canal, aboard the M. Bataan. Miss Colman will visit in England, Scotland, Ireland and on the Continent before returning to her Richmond Road home in about four months time.



Birthday Celebration Today For Six-Year-Old

With her charming young daughters, blue-eyed Janet, just six months old, and six-year-old Frankie, who celebrates her birthday today, Mrs. C. R. Parker poses at her apartment on Edward Street. Mrs. Parker, the former Miss Jean Holland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Holland, Upper Terrace, arrived from Kingston, Ont., with her daughters in November. Her husband, Lt.-Cmdr. Parker, is stationed aboard H.M.C.S. Athabaskan. She entertained small friends of Frankie's at a birthday party this afternoon.

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Local Council Names Heads Of 17 Standing Committees

Conveners of 17 committees for the new season were announced at the Wednesday session of the 54th annual meeting of Local Council of Women held at the Y.W.C.A. Dr. Marian Sherman presided.

They are Mrs. Blair Reid, child and family welfare; Mrs. W. R. Roskelley, cinema and printed matter; Miss Ellen Hart, citizenship; Mrs. W. J. Price, dramatic art; Mrs. E. M. Bell, economics and taxation; Mrs. C. Stockhill, housing and town planning; Mrs. D. Hay, laws for women and children; Mrs. Alan Campbell, United Nations; Dr. Sherman, mental hygiene; Miss Lottie Bowson, migration; Mrs. R. B. Elliott, moral standards; Mrs. N. Clark, natural resources; Miss C. Perkins, public health; Mrs. A. E. Hopkins, press; Miss E. M. Bruce, trades and professions for women; Miss Ida Bianco, radio; Miss I. Tuck, education.

During the afternoon, Dr. Sherman used the new gavel presented to her by provincial president, Mrs. A. Carmichael. Arising from Tuesday's session, a resolution was introduced to be forwarded to provincial council to urge national council to "petition the Canadian representative of United Nations in the name of national womanhood to bring public opinion to bear on the Russian government, to allow Russian women married to nationals of other countries, if they so desire, to leave Russia to join their husbands."

BETTER READING
Speaker Mrs. T. W. A. Gray of the Parent-Teacher Council, presented a clear picture of how parents could meet the challenge of the harmful effect of crime comics on children. She illustrated her talk with an interesting display of children's books.

She stressed the necessity of parents to supervise their children's reading, and pointed out that parents should read aloud with their children and encourage them starting their own library. Vocal solos were presented by E. J. Turner, White Cane Club, and afternoon tea was served by Mrs. George Holt and committee.

Reports of affiliated societies were given by Mrs. E. M. Bell, Women's Progressive Conservative Association; Mrs. Harding, Diocesan Board Women's Auxiliary; Mrs. McLeod, Craigflower Women's Institute; Mrs. Bishop, Women's Union of First Baptist Church; Mrs. E. Harper, C.C.F. Women's Auxiliary and Mrs. Noble, Lake Hill Women's Institute.

CONVENERS REPORT
Convener of trades and professions for women, Miss J. E. M. Bruce noted the most-favored job at this time was stenography.

Lodge Primrose, Daughters of England, No. 32, held a social evening in the K. of P. Hall. Worthy Sister A. Anderson presided. It was announced that there would be no meeting on Feb. 11, but both business and social meeting would be held Feb. 25.

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Named President, Fourth Term Final Meeting This Morning

Mrs. D. A. Girvin was returned to office as president of Victoria Presbyterian, Woman's Missionary Society, United Church of Canada, for the fourth year, at the final meeting of the three-day annual session, in Metropolitan United Church, this morning.

Other officers named were Mrs. Simon Fraser, honorary president; Mrs. W. H. Muncy, immediate past president; Mrs. E. McGinnis, first vice-president; Mrs. W. F. Perry, second vice-president; Mrs. G. H. Guy, third vice-president; Mrs. H. J. Armitage, fourth vice-president; Mrs. W. G. Wilson, fifth vice-president; Mrs. Pearl More, recording secretary; Mrs. S. H. Shaw, corresponding secretary and Mrs. J. H. Laird, treasurer.

Committee secretaries are Mrs.

W. J. McIntyre, Christian stewardship; Mrs. Brenton Varcoe, mission circle; Mrs. A. S. J. Butler, baby band; Mrs. A. T. Hunkin, associate members; Mrs. E. R. Bewell, supply; Mrs. C. F. Wharton, assistant supply; Mrs. E. Crumney, community friendship; Mrs. George Hinch, literature; Mrs. A. Chisholm, costumes; Mrs. G. B. Kinney, missionary monthly; Mrs. H. J. Cromie, temperance; Mrs. W. B. Johnston, press and Mrs. J. R. Standen, Bible in schools.

Mrs. James Hood conducted the installation ceremony. Earlier in the morning reports of presidents of organizations were heard and before adjournment at noon, the new and old executive met and election of branch delegates took place.

Get-Together Supper Climax Of All-Day Annual Session

Bowls of yellow daffodils, yellow chrysanthemums and shiny Oregon grape leaves, added a bright note of color to tables set in the Sunday school room at Metropolitan United Church, Wednesday evening for the get-together supper and evening meeting of the 23rd annual session, Victoria Presbyterian, Women's Missionary Society, United Church of Canada.

Mrs. D. A. Girvin presided at the head table, and seated with her were Dr. A. E. Whitehouse and Mrs. Whitehouse, Rev. T. Griffiths, Mrs. Wong, Miss Mavis Lee, Mrs. W. G. Wilson, Mrs. George Guy, Miss Mildred Blakely, Mrs. Simon Fraser, Rev. Jeffrey Smith, Miss M. Laurie and Miss M. McMillan.

Following supper, Miss Laurie, candidate adviser, reported that Miss Ruth Peat, sent two years ago from Victoria to a mission training school in eastern Canada, will graduate in May.

"There is great need for workers in both the home and foreign fields," Miss Laurie stressed.

Miss McMillan reported 10 C.G.I.T. groups on Vancouver Island affiliated with the Women's Missionary Society, one new group formed, and many others interested in missions. She spoke of the successful C.G.I.T. camp during the summer and outlined last year's course of study on the Indians of our coast.

In a short address, Miss Lee described her five months' work at the Chinese Mission Centre in Victoria; told of home visits made, evangelistic meetings held, Bible study classes formed, young people's work and re-organization of C.G.I.T. and mission bands in the Chinese United Church.

Miss Lee expects to leave Victoria in the late summer to study for her Master of Arts degree in California.

Clubwomen's News

New Officers—Burgoyne Valley Ladies' Aid to United Church home of Mrs. H. Townsend, Fulford Harbor, Salt Spring Island, held their annual meeting at the Rev. J. Dewar opened the meeting and Mrs. J. French was welcomed as a new member. New officers elected are, president, Mrs. H. Kinder; vice-president, Mrs. W. Brigid; secretary, Mrs. W. J. Forster; recording secretary, Mrs. A. Hobentown. Treasurer reported a successful year, and plans were made to hold a silver tea next month. Afternoon tea was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. F. C. Mollet.

Donate Layettes—Two complete layettes were sent to central Dorcas headquarters members of Vesuvius Bay Branch of Women's Auxiliary to Anglican Church were told at their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Copeland, Vesuvius, Salt Spring Island. Treasurer reported that \$121.30 had been earned during the year, and \$25 had been sent to the main branch of the W.A. at Ganges. A donation was made to Food Relief. Miss K. Motherwell was re-elected president, and other officers are Mrs. P. Lowther, vice-president; Mrs. V. Ramsay, secretary; Mrs. A. E. Duke, Dorcas secretary, and Miss M. Harrington, treasurer.

Lake Cowichan—Mrs. W. A. Chappell, retiring president, conducted installation ceremonies at the recent meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, Canadian Legion Branch No. 210, in the Catholic church hall. Installed were Mrs. Clifford Gravelle, president; Mrs. Dennis Bailey, vice-president; Mrs. Albert Perry, secretary; Mrs. David Madill Jr., treasurer; Mrs. Daye Boyd, social; Mrs. Roy Carson, membership; Mrs. Lysle Sumner, sick visiting, and Mrs. Robert Unwin, sergeant-at-arms. At the meeting, it was decided to send a fountain pen and card to the auxiliary's adopted veteran at the Veteran's Hospital, Victoria, for Valentine's Day. A donation was voted for T.B. veterans in Tranquille Sanatorium. Mrs. Clifford Gravelle was elected delegate to the Southern Vancouver Island Zone Council meetings, and Mrs. W. A. Chappell, Mrs. Beatrice Wilkin and Mrs. Dennis Allison, alternates. It was decided to hold social meetings at various members' homes once a month and a business meeting every first Wednesday at the Catholic parish hall. Committees were completed and refreshments served.

Workers Active In Many Fields All Over World
Word pictures of the work and descriptions of workers on the mission fields of Africa, India, Southwest China, Japan, Korea, and Trinidad were given by Mrs. D. A. Girvin in her president's address at the Wednesday afternoon session of the United Church W.M.S. Presbyterian.

Mrs. Girvin also spoke of the scholarship given outstanding girls in schools in the various mission fields, with especial mention of two girls from Trinidad who graduated from University of Toronto last year and have now returned to their homes to take part in important educational work.

Exploring the representation of numbers of public bodies in favor of moderation of liquor laws, Mrs. Girvin told her audience, "If it is actually true that people openly defy our liquor laws and drink in public places, we will investigate, bring pressure to bear and prosecute."

Describing the Women's Missionary Society in Canada as a "shining chain stretching across the country with each organization an important link," Mrs. Girvin urged members to greater effort in the cause of Christianity.

Miss Mildred M. Blakely, retired missionary, as guest speaker, described her work of 35 years in the Philippines. Miss Dorothy-Mae Charles gave vocal solos; Victoria West Young Women's Auxiliary took the devotional period. Mrs. A. J. Campbell spoke briefly on work of the United Nations.

Outstanding on the afternoon program was a choir of 30 little girls, directed by Mrs. Roberto Wood.

Victoria West—In observance of National Health Week, the film, "The Feeling of Rejection" will be shown with Dr. J. L. Gayton commenting at the meeting of Victoria West P.T.A. to be held next Monday, commencing at 8 p.m. A short founders' day ceremony will take place. Special guests for the evening will be former presidents, officers and members of the association.

Personal Notes

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hodges will entertain this evening with an after-five reception in the Elizabethan Room at the Empress Hotel to honor Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mathews, who have come from Montreal to make their home in Victoria.

Mrs. P. L. Straith and Miss Charlotte Cook of this city are at present visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. Arnold Millar in Ottawa.

Mrs. Jessie Michaud and Miss Muriel Michaud of "Glen Avon," Lake Hill, have returned to Victoria following a week-end spent in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Olson will leave the city by plane on Sunday for Honolulu where they will spend the next month at the Moana Hotel.

Miss Jean Laidlaw, who will be married Feb. 19, was honored when Mrs. E. Olson and Mrs. A. Edmonds entertained at a pantry-grocery shower at 523 Springfield Street. Red roses en masse were presented to the honor guest, and her mother, Mrs. J. A. Laidlaw, and mother of the groom-elect, Mrs. A. Edmonds, received spray corsage bouquets of carnations. Other guests were Mesdames W. Williams, P. Edmonds, J. Crossman, J. Barnes, A. Anderson, V. Keatley, H. Zaruck, M. Zaruck, M. Edmonds, M. Machan, J. Harper, K. Avery, T. Healey, K. Dillabough, M. Toms, F. Lees, and Misses Marge-Laidlaw, Noreen Keatley, Betty Keatley, Shirley Noel, Dorothy Jackson, Myrtle Wilson, Marjorie Wilson, C. Cockett, Kathleen Barnes and Master John Barnes.

To celebrate the 32nd wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. G. Dewhurst, and the 20th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. S. Donkersley, a no-host party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Henn, Ganges Harbor, Salt Spring Island. Old-time and modern dancing were enjoyed during the evening. Supper was served by Mrs. H. Day, Mrs. A. M. Brown, and Mrs. Henn. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. D. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. L. Shufelt, Mr. and Mrs. C. Houghton, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. T. Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. A. Young, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cartwright, Mr. and Mrs. C. Wagg, Mr. and Mrs. R. Tester, Mr. and Mrs. J. Netefield, Mr. and Mrs. S. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. H. Day, Mrs. C. Devine, Mrs. L. Hays, Miss E. Symington, and Messrs. Nels Degnen, M. MacLennan, G. Bilton and D. Brown.

To honor Miss Tillie Akerman, members of the Catholic Women's League, held a surprise miscellaneous shower at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Akerman, Fulford Harbor, South Salt Spring Island. Gifts were contained in a mock wedding cake, topped with a fancy-dressed doll. Guests were Mesdames S. LaFortune, A. McDonald, Sr., A. McDonald, Jr., R. Akerman, E. Benton, H. Carlin, W. Harris, W. Jameski, H. Milner, M. Gyves, L. Marquis, G. St. Denis, Misses Sheila Benton, Sheila Carlin and Diane Carlin.

Miss Shirley Stevenson, who is to be married on Feb. 12, was honored Tuesday evening, when Norma Joan Dunn entertained with a miscellaneous shower at her home on Tolmie Avenue. Wee Patsy Mawdsley presented the honor guest, her mother and mother of the groom-elect with corsage bouquets of carnations, and later drew the gifts from a decorated cart and presented each one to Miss Stevenson. Games were played and music enjoyed during the evening. Reception rooms were decorated with daffodils and chrysanthemums and refreshments were served at a table centred with a silver bowl of spring flowers, flanked by silver candelabra. Guests were Mesdames A. C. Jones, R. Stevenson, F. Mawdsley, N. L. Dunn, Misses June Bridges, Shirley Boulton, Kay Cuthbertson, Joyce Elliott, Marjorie Jones, Jean Laurence, Jeanne Lidgate, Edna Lake, Irene Langas, Peggy Melville, Eleanor Melville, Patsy Mawdsley and June Treble.

Last Sunday, the christening of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Conrad, Pike Road, Surrey, took place in St. Paul's Church, New Westminster, with the Rt. Rev. Bishop A. R. L. Keovil officiating. Names given were Alan Laird Douglas, and godparents were Dr. and Mrs. Alcorn of Victoria, who were celebrating their seventh wedding anniversary, and Mr. Claude T. Crosby of Vancouver. Following the ceremony, afternoon tea was served at the home of the baby's parents. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McDonald, great-uncle and aunt of the baby, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Day, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Digman and their two children, and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Crosby and their children. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred C. Digman of Surrey, B.C., and Mrs. E. A. Conrad and the late C. C. Conrad of Ashcroft.



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Four 100 pound cases of food had been shipped to adopted schools at Paris, Oustréham, Asnières and Lambassart, it was announced at a meeting of Children of France Society, held recently at the home of Madame Yvonne Gray, 1031 Verrinder Avenue. Madame H. D. Parizeau announced that these cases were carried by the French ship S.S. Boree through permission of the commanding officer, Capt. Jagou.

Letters were read from the director and pupils at Ecole Maternelle in Paris and many of the small children illustrated these letters with Santa Claus and other holiday drawings. Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$76.87 in the bank. It was decided to send two cases of food to Paris and Oustréham schools this month and to send any clothing which the society may receive or make, as soon as possible.

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All studied under the apprenticeship scheme. Miss Learoyd, formerly of Vancouver, has lived in Victoria since the beginning of the war. Her home is at 1536 Clive Drive. She studied at University of Washington and has been a graduate pharmacist for the past year, following four years apprenticeship with the firm.

Miss Kitts has been in pharmacy work for more than 12 years. She too is formerly of Vancouver and now makes her home at 2784 Dufferin Street.

She has always been interested in this work, she states, and feels that it offers a wide scope as a profession for a woman.

Miss Smirke, who lives with her mother, Mrs. L. M. Smirke, at 709 Linden Avenue, attended Victoria College, and has been with the firm seven years, two-and-a-half years' as pharmacist.

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P.T.A. News

McKenzie Avenue—Dr. Clifford Carl of the Provincial Museum will be guest speaker at the February meeting of McKenzie Avenue P.T.A. to be held Thursday at 8 p.m. His topic for discussion will be "Whales."

Oaklands — Greater Victoria Youth Band will play at Oaklands P.T.A. meeting Monday at 8 in the auditorium. Founder's day will be commemorated with a candle-lighting ceremony and refreshments will be served.

North Saanich — A special founder's day program has been arranged for the North Saanich P.T.A. meeting in the high school Monday at 8. A. Cullen, vice-president of Victoria Council, will be the speaker and Mrs. Pamela Gaze Dodds will give vocal selections.

Plan Program—A program of sports and activities for young and old is being planned for this season, members of Strawberry Vale Community Club were told at their annual meeting. Election of officers took place and last year's directorate was re-elected unanimously. Owing to growing activities of the club, members decided to elect four additional officers. It was reported that much progress has been made since the club's incorporation nine months ago, and membership now totals 110. Improvements on building recently transferred to the club by the Women's Institute of the district, will be attempted this year, it was announced.

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Oak Bay To Make Submission On Teachers' Salary Demands

Oak Bay municipality will make representation to the arbitration board dealing with salary demands of Greater Victoria teachers.

This decision was reached by Oak Bay Council Wednesday evening after it had been advised that the municipality's share in the salary increase sought by the teachers would mean an increase of 5.705 mills in the 1949 mill rate.

The teachers' salary demands would cost the component parts of School District No. 61 approximately \$330,000, of which Oak Bay would be required to pay 15.9 per cent, or \$52,470.

Reeve R. A. B. Wootton said: "The essence of the matter is... are the school teachers being paid enough or not?" He did not think it had anything to do with the municipality's ability to pay. However, he added, the council would hardly be doing its duty to the Oak Bay citizens if it did not make a submission to the arbitration board. He said he believed the Oak Bay ratepayers had been getting an increase in their taxes recently largely be-

Approve Naming New Oak Bay Road After Ald Christie

Oak Bay Council Wednesday evening approved the naming of a new street in the city's Aged Men's Home property subdivision after Ald. Margaret Christie.

The matter was brought up by Councillor George Murdock, who noted the city had announced plans to name the street after Ald. Christie, if Oak Bay approved. The councillor thought it would be a courtesy if the council sent its approval of the proposal to the city before the city made application to Oak Bay for permission to so name the street.

The council paid tribute to the work of Mrs. Christie in social welfare.

The road in question connects Cadboro Bay and Cranmore Roads.

Riding Club Seeks More Time To Move

The Victoria Riding Academy and Hunt Club may retain its location on the Willows Fairgrounds for some months yet, Oak Bay Council Wednesday evening received a request from D. B. Carley of the riding club, for an extension of time at the Willows.

Mr. Carley said the Colwood Park Association had given the club notice to vacate by March 31. However, he added, the club is at present negotiating with the Hudson's Bay Co. for a new site. He wanted time for the club to secure its new location and erect buildings before leaving the Willows.

The council will advise Mr. Carley that the matter is one for him to settle with the Colwood Park Association. Oak Bay is agreeable to whatever arrangements Mr. Carley can make providing they do not interfere with the stipulation that all present buildings must be off the Willows within six months.

Endorse Resolution For Road Assistance

A Port Alberni resolution asking the B.C. government to implement recommendations of the Goldenberg Report with respect to highway and road construction was endorsed by Oak Bay Council Wednesday evening.

The report recommended "That the payment of provincial grants for the construction and maintenance of roads and the assumption by the province of the whole or part of the costs of certain highways running through municipalities be accompanied by adequate provincial supervision of the expenditure of such moneys."

The report made further recommendations regarding cost of construction and maintaining highways through municipalities, which, the Port Alberni resolution claimed, had not been acted upon by the provincial government.

Dogs Attack Deer At Island Centres

NANAIMO—Three deer died of wounds inflicted by dogs last week, and owners of dogs were warned to look after them by Game Warden Frank Greenfield.

A buck was fatally attacked by three dogs at Little Qualicum River, according to a fisherman, while reports of a deer so badly maimed by dogs that it died, came from Parksville. Dogs fatally injured a deer at nearby East Wellington district.

Want No Interruption

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP)—The Alaska Senate passed unanimously Wednesday a House joint memorial asking federal officials to negotiate with Canada for keeping the Haines Cutoff highway open the year around.

The memorial said a small sector of the highway between the border and the Alaska Highway is inside Canada and a barrier to uninterrupted operation.

Ted Fox Moves To Post In Vancouver

E. F. (Ted) Fox, public relations assistant with the B.C. Electric in Victoria since August, 1945, has been promoted to the post of public relations representative at the Vancouver offices of the same company, effective in mid-February.

He will be succeeded in Vic-

toria by Morley H. Collins of the B.C. Electric department of public information in Vancouver.

A native of Manitoba and Governor-General's medalist in 1932, Mr. Collins was five years reporter and five years editor of a daily and weekly newspaper in Portage la Prairie. During the war he was with the R.C.A.F. radar division and on discharge was copy chief for two years at O'Brien Advertising in Vancouver before joining the B.C. Electric.

Represents Oak Bay

Oak Bay Council Wednesday evening chose Councillor F. A. Robinson to represent the municipality on the Community Welfare Council of Greater Victoria.

SOOKE CHAMBER MEETS

SOOKE—L. G. Ecroyd, western field representative of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, will be guest speaker at a meeting of the Sooke-Jordan River Chamber of Commerce, Friday night at 8.

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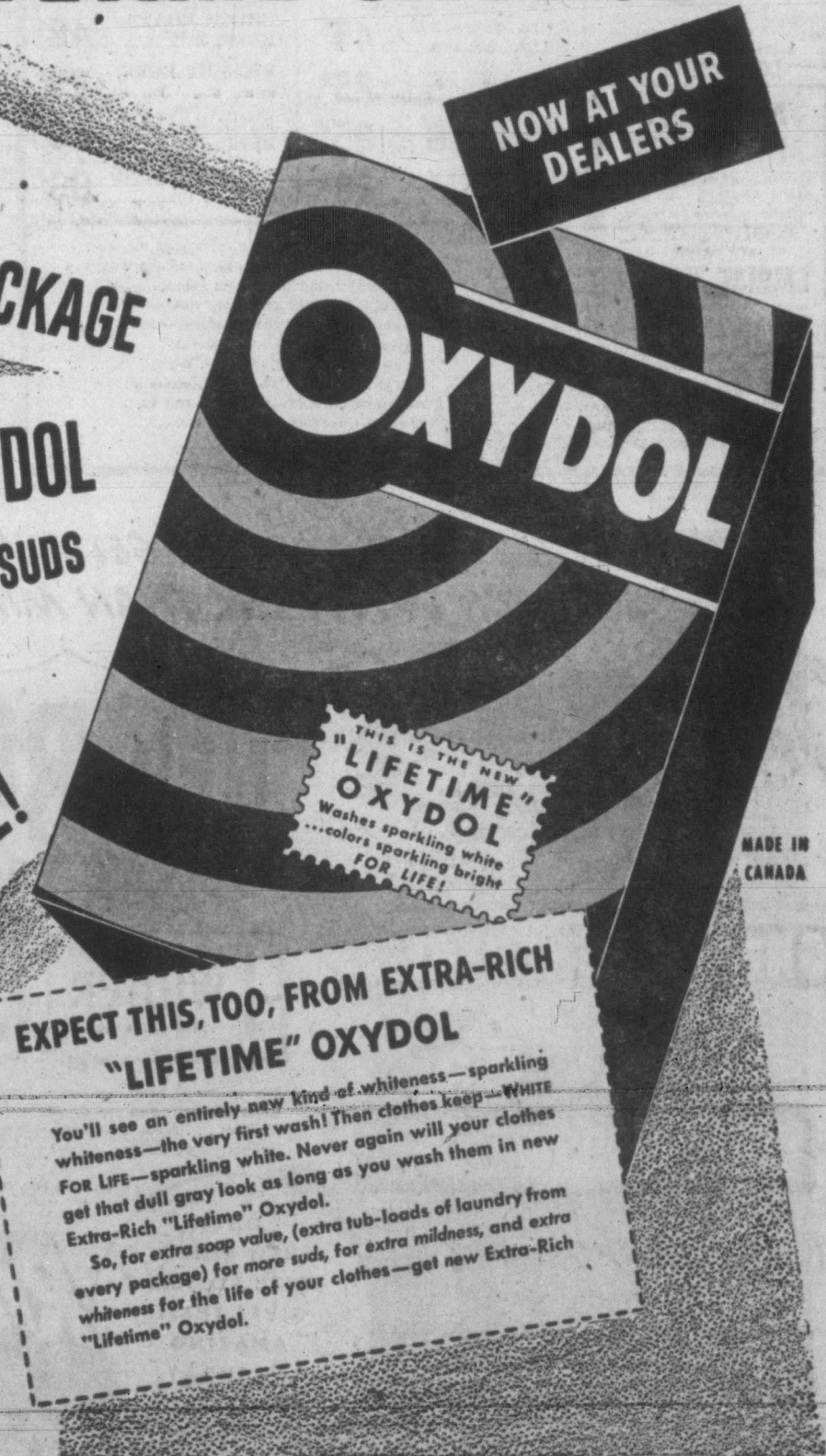
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A resident ski instructor has arrived at Forbidden Plateau Lodge, to fulfill a long-felt need.

Fred Williams taught at the St. Sauveur Ski School, directed by the Duke Dimitri Leuchtenberg de Beauharnais, from 1937 to 1939. He then formed his own school, "The Fred Wilkins Ski School," attached to the New Colony Inn, from 1940 to 1942, and from 1946 to the present time. The break in his skiing in the Laurentians was taken up with war service, with the Canadian Merchant Navy.

Fred has a wide range of ski experience on the eastern seaboard of North America, in the Canadian Rockies, in New Zealand on Mount Ruapehu, and in Tasmania's Mount Field National Park.

Mr. Wilkins teaches a modified Arlberg technique curve. He is qualified to take the most advanced skiers and to guide them in tours of the Plateau. His wife is fully capable of assisting him and teaching beginners.

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12-Year Battle Preserves Strawberry Shortcake— Red Stele Affects Most Of U.S. As Well As Saanich

By DOUGLAS LARSEN
Victoria Times Correspondent

WASHINGTON—For 12 years an epic battle has been fought in the laboratory to save America's strawberry crop.

Only a handful of people have known the story of this fight, which, if lost, could have meant the end of strawberry ice cream, strawberry jam and strawberry shortcake in the U.S. At best, if it had been lost, strawberries today would be a rare delicacy which only the rich could afford.

The battle was on two fronts: Against a mysterious disease which was first discovered in this country in Illinois in 1936, and since has spread to cover the entire eastern half of the United States; and against the competition of other fruits that threatened to take the profit out of strawberry raising.

Red Stele is the disease. It attacks the roots of the plant. Recently it was identified as a unique fungus which lies dormant in the ground during most of the year and comes to life in the early spring. Scientists still aren't sure whether it is a plant or animal growth. And they haven't discovered a way to get it out of soil once the ground is infected.

(Red Stele is ravaging strawberry crops in British Columbia. It is quite serious in the Fraser Valley and a large percentage of the strawberry land on the Saanich Peninsula is affected.)

(W. R. Foster, plant pathologist for the B.C. Department of Agriculture, says that so far nothing can be done to aid the affected lands and plants in this province. The department started a certification service in 1946 and new plant-



The battle of the berries was fought by breeding. Here pollen from one parent of the desired cross is being placed on an emasculated flower-head of the other parent with a brush.

ings made in new land, free of drainage from affected areas, will thrive.

(Mr. Foster said that British Columbia needs a suitable Red Stele resistance plant somewhat similar to the British Sovereign, which is the most popular plant here. The State of Washington is having trouble with Red Stele and has placed large orders for B.C. plants which are certified by the government.)

D. George M. Darrow, a scien-

tist in the Department of Agriculture, has been the key man in directing the successful fight. Fortunately he got off to the right start in 1936 or the whole effort might have been too late. In the slow business of agricultural research it sometimes takes three or four years to discover that you are heading up a blind street. Even a year's delay might have licked him.

NEW TYPE OF PLANT

He had a hunch that it was futile to try killing the disease. So he set about developing a

strawberry plant that would be impervious to Red Stele.

First he discovered that the hardy Aberdeen berry resisted the disease. But it was of no commercial value because it was soft and flavorless. To remedy this he crossed a Fairfax plant—which produced a firm, tasty berry—with an Aberdeen. The seeds that resulted from this crossing he planted in infected soil. Only a pitiful few survived and produced berries in the first test.

But he painstakingly gathered more seeds from plants that survived in Red Stele soil and nurtured them until he finally produced two completely new varieties which he named Fairland and Temple. They were unaffected by the disease and produced juicy, flavorful and firm berries.

By the time these seeds were made available to the farmers, thousands of strawberry growers in the east had already started planting something else on their ground. But it wasn't too late to revive that part of the industry that had been threatened by Red Stele. The changeover to the use of these two varieties is still taking place among the farmers.

GROWERS LOSE

While the fight against Red Stele was going on, thousands of strawberry growers began losing money because of the competition of other fruits. Better methods of packaging, distributing and selling citrus fruits, apples, peaches, and better canning methods were running strawberry growers out of business.

Two big troubles which kept the strawberry business a marginal proposition were the threat of a frost killing off most of the crop and the fact that in

any one area all the strawberries ripened within the same short period. This latter difficulty dumped all the berries on the market at the same time and kept their price unprofitably low.

Obviously the problem was to get berry varieties that would ripen at widely different periods of the season and that would resist frost.

DEFEATING PROBLEM

Dr. Darrow attacked the problem of spreading out the ripening period by carefully selecting the seeds from those plants which bloomed first. He'd plant these, and from the plants that resulted, get more seeds from the early bloomers. He gradually stretched the ripening time over several weeks by creating many new varieties. With these new varieties the farmers are gradually licking the problem of glutting the market at one time, guaranteeing them a better return for their crop and permitting them to expand production.

Breeding strawberries to produce frost-resistant plants has had even more dramatic success. Co-workers of Dr. Darrow in Montana have just announced a berry plant which has resisted 40 degrees below zero. This means that in a few years strawberries in the north central section of the United States and Canada will become much more plentiful and much cheaper.

The newest efforts of Dr. Darrow are to try to create a new strawberry with more vitamin C. Three berries of one variety which he has already developed contain as many units as one orange. He hopes some day to get a strawberry, one of which will have as much vitamin C as an orange.

Plays Indian Part In Jack Carson Show

After testing 25 actresses to play the role of the Indian maid who makes eyes at Jack Carson in "Two Guys From Texas," now at the Atlas Theatre, Warner Bros. took a quick look in their own back yard and found just the ticket.

Cleatus Caldwell, wife of Warner star, Bob Hutton, and Miss America of 1940, was signed for the role in the Dennis Morgan-Jack Carson Technicolor musical, after the order had gone out from the office of Producer Alex Gottlieb to "get the most beautiful girl you can find."

Cleatus, besides being one of the most beautiful girls in the world, had the edge on most other aspirants, being an Oklahoma-born part Indian.

DOMINION THEATRE

Wesley Barry, who a generation ago shared with Jackie Coogan the love and admiration of millions of film fans as one of the top child stars of the screen, is still a prominent member of the film colony, although in an entirely different capacity.

Wesley, who years ago starred in such pictures of boyhood as "Penrod" and "Rag to Riches," is now in the production end of the business. He started in this end of the industry 10 years ago and progressed to a point where he was named production manager for the Alson production of "Belle Starr's Daughter," the new Twentieth Century-Fox release starring George Montgomery, Rod Cameron and Ruth Roman, and now at the Dominion Theatre.

Actress Advises Bobbysoxers Choose Career When 16

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—"Teen-age girls, probably the most advised of all human beings, get some sympathy from Mona Freeman. Also some advice.

Despite being the mother of a 14-month-old, Mona received some kind of an award for her role as the bobby-soxer fixer in "Dear Ruth." She's at it again in "Dear Wife."

"Everybody is giving advice to 'teen-agers,' said Mona, who is now an ancient 22. "Maybe they don't need it. People don't realize that a lot of young girls are doing part-time work, taking care of babies and otherwise standing on their own feet. They can think for themselves."

After that preamble, Mona doled out some tips to bobbysoxers and their bewildered parents:

1. There's not much you can do to stop girls from smoking when they're mature enough to do it.
 2. Girls should be allowed to wear what the other girls are wearing, no matter how sloppy it may look to their parents. However, cleanliness is another matter, and that should be stressed by parents.
 3. Don't be a study bug. It's just as bad to study too much and avoid social life as it is to not study at all.
 4. There's nothing wrong with necking if it isn't carried to an extreme.
 5. Don't drink and don't date boys who do.
 6. Around 15 or 16, sit down and decide what kind of life you want to build for yourself.
- In case these points start a battle in your happy home, remember they're Mona's ideas, not mine. Right now my problems are no weightier than trying to get Nancy Katherine to sleep through the 2 a.m. feeding.

ODEON THEATRE

Into the famous Lermontov Company—to join the greatest ballet talent of the world—comes Vicky Page as a young dancer. Boris Lermontov knows she will be a great ballerina and demands from discipline and the complete dedication of her life. She reaches stardom in "The Red Shoes" ballet, dancing to music by Julian Craster, the young composer whom Lermontov has patronized.

Irresistible, Vicky finds herself caught between two loves—between the simple human passion that has caught up Julian and herself; and artistic devotion to the ballet and its jealous master, Lermontov.

Their three lives are shaken by a torment that is echoed in the story of their new ballet. In her dancing fairy story of "The Red Shoes"—and as her real self—Vicky dances to her death. "The Red Shoes" is currently at the Odeon Theatre.

PLAZA THEATRE

Though Arnold Stang, the "Gerard" of Henry Morgan's radio show, has been out to Hollywood seven times, he still doesn't like the life, the people or the climate. But his aversion to the film capital undoubtedly stems from when he was arrested as a "suspicious character."

It seems he was going to visit a friend on a dark street in Hollywood when a police prowl car hauled him in on "suspicion of howling."

At the station house, on the basis of some press clippings, he was released. But he'll never forget the arresting officer's classic reply when the desk sergeant asked how come they picked up such an inoffensive character. "He was wearing a topcoat," he retorted.

Stang's latest Hollywood visit was to handle a spot in Henry Morgan's first film venture, United Artists' "So This Is New York," at the Plaza Theatre now.

Where To Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

ATLAS—Jack Carson in "Two Guys From Texas."

CAPITOL—"Hills of Home," starring Donald Crisp.

DOMINION—"Belle Starr's Daughter," starring Rod Cameron.

OAK BAY—"Captain Boycott," starring Stewart Granger.

ODEON—"The Red Shoes," starring Moira Shearer.

PLAZA—"So This Is New York," starring Henry Morgan.

ROYAL—Bette Davis in "June Bride."

In British Film

Since he gave up his management of the Red Lion public house at Handcross in 1937, Bombardier Billy Wells has been back in the limelight—but not in the ring. He has been acting as adviser on boxing and fight scenes during the making of several British films. In some pictures, it has been the Bombardier's punch which floors the victim, although delivered "off stage!"

The latest film in which the Bombardier took part is "Captain Boycott," Frank Launder's new Irish picture which stars Stewart Granger with Kathleen Ryan and, in the title role, Cecil Parker, and is currently at the Oak Bay Theatre.

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An invitation to visit the display of local handicrafts at B.C. Craft House, 839 Fort Street, a few doors above Home Furniture.

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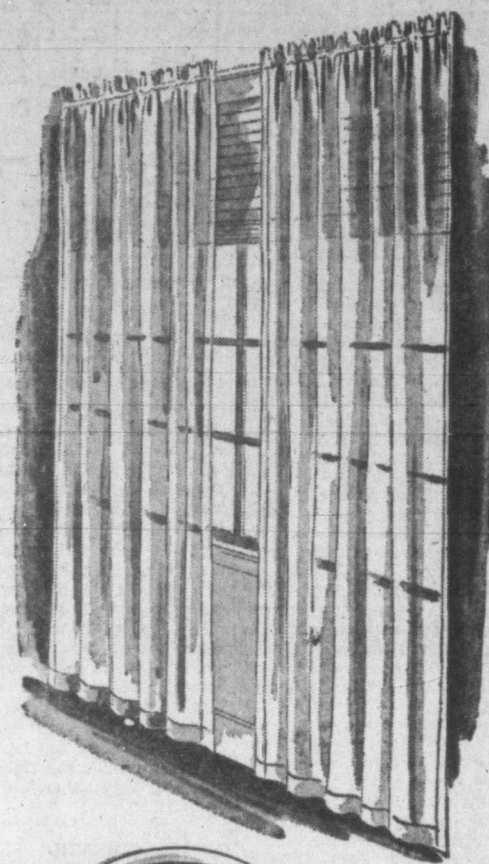
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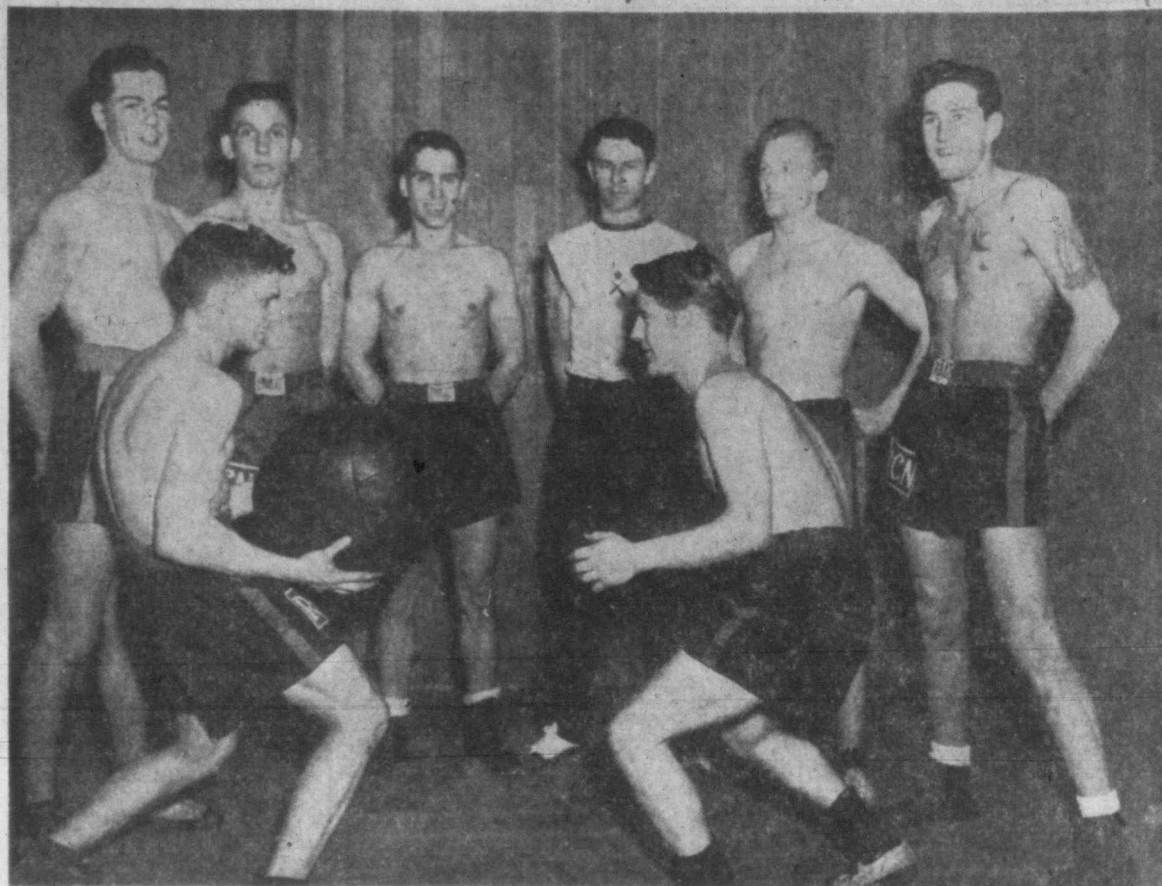
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Navy Fighters Seek Titles In Golden Gloves Tourney

Team of seven, including a pair of champions, will represent the Royal Canadian Navy in the Victoria Times Golden Gloves boxing championships at the Armories tomorrow and Saturday nights. In last year's tournament three boys from the R.C.N. lifted championships. From left to right, back row: Harold Holloway, middleweight, winner of the Quebec Golden Gloves championship at Montreal in 1946; Norman Nelson, light heavy-

weight; Joseph Leblanc, lightweight; L.S. A. Aylward, coach of H.M.C.S. Naden; Leo Ouellette, welterweight; and Russell Roberts, welterweight, Pacific Command champion and southern Alberta title holder in 1947-48; holding the medicine ball is Robert Leclerc, bantamweight, and waiting to receive is Vernon Frankton, another bantam. First bout each night will start at 8. Reserved seats are on sale at Hocking and Forbes, Douglas St.

Leading Regina Club Turns Back Stampeder's Bid

REGINA (CP)—Calgary Stampers missed a chance to move into third place in the Western Canada Senior Hockey League Wednesday night when losing 4 to 1 to the leading Regina Caps.

The win, watched by a crowd of 4,500 spectators, was the fifth straight for the powerful Regina club, increasing the latter's lead over the second-place Edmonton Flyers to seven points. Stampers remained one point behind Lethbridge Maple Leafs.

Stampers opened scoring in the first period, but saw Caps even the count before the session's end. The home club moved ahead when getting the lone tally of the mid-period, and consolidated its lead with two more goals early in the third.

Officials had an easy time of it, only four penalties being awarded, two for each club. There were no penalties in the opening period, three in the second and one in the third.

SCHRIENER PLAYS WELL

Although not billed as such, the game could have been dubbed "Sweeney Schriener night." The former National Hockey League star scored Regina's first goal, came close on several other attempts and generally displayed sharp ice generalship. Bill Kyle, Toby Brown and Harvey Barnes were the other Cap scorers. Chuck McCullough assisted twice.

Johnny Millard got the lone Calgary goal at 8:42 in the first period, snapping up a double assist from John Cully and Bill MacDonald who worked the puck out of a corner scramble.

Oak Bay Gobblins will hold a workout at Windsor Park tomorrow commencing at 6:45. All players are asked to be on hand.

Clowns Amaze Fans; College Takes Title

The Broadway Clowns made their annual visit to Victoria last night and presented the best house of the year with an amazing display of ball-handling, shooting, comedy antics and, when needed, straight high-class basketball.

Though nobody seemed to care, just for the record the final score was Clowns 49, K.V.'s 45. The dusky cagers, stripping only five men, started their comedy antics early and kept up the show through most of the game. K.V.'s, never far off the pace and most of the time in the lead, played their parts well and gave the Clowns every opportunity of putting on a "show."

PASSING HIGH POINT

From a basketball standpoint the passing of the Clowns was easily the outstanding feature. The visitors really made the ball do all the work with Stanley "Chico" Burrell, former Harlem Globe Trotter, as the key man in the rapid-fire passing routine.

Top man for the Clowns from a scoring angle was Fred Pearson, who racked up 19 points, a majority of his buckets coming from one-handed jump shots. Little Al Pullins, getting on in years, didn't bother displaying his marksmanship from the field as he was content to act as playmaker for his younger teammates.

The comedy repertoire included football plays, drop kicks, passing through opponent's legs, and the unerring accuracy of Pullins' blind passes.

COLLEGE CITY CHAMPS

In the preliminary game, Victoria College captured the city intermediate A men's title by defeating Eatons, 40 to 37, to take the best-of-three series in straight games.

The Students spotted Eatons

Pomeranian Awarded Best-In-Show Honor At Kennel Club Show

Best-in-show honor at last night's Victoria City Kennel Club's annual parlor show at the Crystal Garden was taken by J. Jarvis' pomeranian, Wee Mon's Bugs Breeze.

Proceeds from the show were turned over to the Junior Victoria Order of Nurses.

Mrs. E.C. Lambert's pekingese, Tu Shang of San Lu was awarded best dog puppy with best junior puppy in show being the English bulldog, Duke of Oscar, owned by A. Petford.

Results follow:

Best dog puppy, pekingese—Tu Shang of San Lu, Mrs. E.C. Lambert.

Best non-sporting puppy, English bulldog—Duke of Oscar, A. Petford.

Best working puppy, mastiff—Heatherbell Hyacinth Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Melish.

Best terrier puppy, west highland white—Highland Caster, Betty Humby.

Best sporting puppy, Labrador retriever—Derry, Mr. Lindemulder.

Best sporting puppy, cocker spaniel—Quadrant's Personality Plus, J. F. O. Wood.

Best terrier, west highland white—Highland Caster, Betty Humby.

Best working mastiff—Heatherbell Hyacinth Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Melish.

Best non-sporting, chow—Lucky Model Leo Tang, Mrs. G. Creasey.

Best toy, pomeranian—Wee Mon's Bugs Breeze, P. Jarvis.

Best novice in show, boxer—Mugs, L. Chisholme.

Best junior puppy in show, English bulldog—Duke of Oscar, A. Petford.

Best senior puppy in show, west highland white—Highland Caster, Betty Humby.

Best green dog and handler in show—L. wire fox terrier, H. Jinks, N. Maynard; 2, boxer, Mugs, L. Chisholme; 3, German shorthair pointer, Babe, William Walton.

Best puppy brace in show, cocker spaniel—Mrs. Willoughby and Mrs. MacQueen.

Best brace in show, cocker spaniel—Mrs. J. F. O. Wood.

Best boy handler, 8 to 14 years—Miss Kay Carver.

Best girl handler, 8 to 14 years—Freddie Webb, Jr.

Best girl handler, 4 to 8 years—Merle Webb.

Best boy handler, 4 to 8 years—Cary Ross.

Savold Anxious To Meet Woodcock In Return Fight

LONDON (AP)—Lee Savold's manager said today the Paterson, N.J., heavyweight contender will return to London next summer to fight regardless of the outcome of his proposed match with champion Joe Louis.

"Even if Lee should win the world heavyweight crown," said manager Bill Day, "we will come back to meet the winner of the June 2 bout between Freddie Mills and Bruce Woodcock under certain conditions."

Savold lost to Woodcock on a foul Dec. 6.

Daly said Lee would take on Mills under British rules if Mills beats Woodcock.

"But if we fight Woodcock again," he said, "we will want the American 'no foul rule' in effect, or Woodcock's promise that he won't claim the bout with a demonstration like he put on before." Under British rules the referee has no alternative but to award the bout to a man struck low if he appears unable to continue.

AUTO RACERS MEET

Charlie Flitton, president of the B.C. Automotive Sports Association, announced last night that a meeting will be held at the British Public Schools Club, Langley Street, tonight commencing at 8.

All racing car owners and drivers are asked to attend.

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Detroit Shoo-In For Ice Title

Red Wings Clip Chicago; Boston Whips Rangers

That Detroit's high-flying Red Wings are headed for the National Hockey League championship, looks like a solid bet.

The Wings seem to pick up momentum as the season rolls along and now boast a comfortable 10-point margin at the top of the heap.

Last night Detroit ran up a 4 to 0 lead on Chicago Black Hawks in the first 28 minutes, then turned back a determined Chicago challenge in the last half for a 6 to 4 victory, their sixth in nine meetings with the Hawks.

In the other fixture, Boston Bruins drove from behind a 3 to 2 deficit to a 5 to 3 home-ice triumph over New York Rangers.

A three-goal performance by reliable Ted Lindsay—the third marker his 100th in a five-year N.H.L. career—gave Detroit its victory before 13,421 Olympia fans.

The other Detroit goals went to Jimmy McPadden, Max McNab and Marty Pavelich. Big gun for the Hawks was league-leading scorer Doug Bentley who pulled the trigger twice, while Jim and Roy Conacher accounted for singles.

Bentley and Roy Conacher garnered three points apiece to further increase their margin in the scoring derby. Doug still has a two-point edge on his teammate.

SWINGS AT FAN

Chicago's temperamental Bep Guidolin and big Leo Reise of the Wings staged an old-fashioned slugging bee in the third period. Guidolin swung his stick at a heckling fan during the mix-up, but the fan was out of danger above the boards. Referee King Clancy dished out 14 penalties, all minors in the slam-bang contest.

Boston had to come from behind twice to sink the battling Rangers before 13,100 Beantown fans.

New York led 1 to 0 and 3 to 2, but couldn't withstand the third-period onslaught by the Bruins.

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Detroit	25	14	4	140	107	54
Boston	20	17	4	119	114	44
Montreal	18	17	6	110	100	42
Chicago	18	21	3	127	152	37
Toronto	13	18	10	99	115	36
New York	13	18	9	97	104	35

Boston carried a wide edge in play, outshooting the visitors 42 to 19. It was the first Boston victory since goalie Jack Gelineau took over the netminding duties. The Bruins dropped decisions to Toronto and Detroit with Gelineau in the cage.

Five players split the Boston scoring. Jimmy Peters, Pete Babando, Woody Dumart, Johnny Peirson and Fernie Flaman all notched singles. The New York marksmen were Nick Mickoski, Don Raleigh and Alex Kaleta.

BOSTON-RANGERS
First period—1, New York, Mickoski (Peters, Gordon) 15:48; 2, Boston, Dumart (Sandford) 16:18; 3, Boston, Flaman 17:07.
Second period—4, New York, Kaleta (Don Raleigh) 4:27; 5, New York, Raleigh (Lund) 10:06. Penalty: Egan.
Third period—6, Boston, Babando (Schmidt, Peters) 1:49; 7, Boston, Peirson (Flaman, Kelly) 3:00; 8, Boston, Peters (Schmidt) 17:12.

DETROIT-CHICAGO
First period—1, Detroit, Pavelich (McNab) 1:49; 2, Detroit, Lindsay (Kelly) 15:00; 3, Detroit, McPadden (Pelle) 15:46. Penalties: Lindsay (3), G. Stewart, Kelly (2), J. Stewart.
Second period—4, Detroit, Lindsay (Pelle, Conacher) 18:46; 5, Chicago, Bentley (Mosienko, E. Conacher) 7:39; 6, Detroit, Lindsay (Kelly) 15:46; 7, Detroit, Lindsay (Pelle, Conacher, Hamill) 17:57. Penalties: Reise, Goldham, Lindsay.
Third period—8, Detroit, McNab (Horeck) 4:35; 9, Detroit, McNab (Horeck) 4:54; 10, Chicago, Conacher (Bentley, Mosienko) 15:58. Penalties: Guidolin (3), J. Conacher, Kelly, Reise.

Sansan, Rangers Tied For Lead In Table Tennis Loop

Sansan Flooring moved into a first-place tie with Rangers in the City Table Tennis League this week by defeating Robinson's Grocery, 19-17, while Rangers were playing to an 18-18 tie with MacDonald's Electric.

Charlie Ngai paced the flooring squad with eight victories. "Capitals and Victoria Bottle Exchange also played to an 18-18 stalemate with Stan Ngai recording an eight-game victory for the Bottlers."

Teams and scores follow:

Sansan Flooring—A. Taylor 5, C. Ngai 5, D. White 3, C. Branson 2, Doubles 2; Robinson's Grocery—R. Hudson 5, R. Russell 2, A. Miller 6, A. Wright 2, Doubles 2.
Rangers—D. Southern 6, J. Davidson 6, G. Clarke 5, O. King 6, Doubles 2; Bottle Exchange—S. Neal 5, B. Harrison 1, A. Wells 5, F. MacDonald 2, Doubles 2.

Hampton Racks Up 30 Points In Normal School Cae Victory

Bob Hampton, former senior A cage star with K.V.'s, pumped 30 points through the hoop Wednesday to pace Normal School to a 36 to 32 victory over Canadian Services College in an exhibition basketball game at Royal Roads.

It was the second straight victory of a two-game series for the Normal School quintette. Half-time score was 19 to 6 for Normal School.

Teams and scorers follow: Normal School—Slater 4, B. Hampton 30, Tombo 2, James, Mortimer, Cortorelli, Isoner, Ivanisko, Catalano, Zinovitch, P. Hampton.
Canadian Services—Trebelle 5, Tamowski 6, Plitts 6, Kirby 2, Patterson, Lyon 3, Carswell, Riddell, Watt, Wilson.

Kelowna Packers Turn Back Vernon

VERNON (CP)—Kelowna Packers stopped Vernon Canadians' winning streak cold last night with a 5 to 3 victory in an Okanagan Mainline Senior B hockey contest.

The loss left Canadians on top of the league.

Jimmy Lowe performed the hat trick with three markers while Smith and Hanson each added one for Packers. Elliott, Hryciuk and Steyck scored for Vernon. Ahead 2 to 1 in the first session, Packers took a 4 to 2 lead in the second and coasted home.

Oakland, Calif.—Earl Turner, 155, Richmond, Calif., outpointed Clyde Coyhis, 153, Milwaukee, 10.

Duncan, Baker Star As McNutt's Trim Heaters

Sparked by the brilliant shooting of Brad Duncan and Ralph Baker, McNutt's Loggers last night turned back West Heat Oil Burners, 48 to 39, in the first game of a best-of-three series for the Saanich and Suburban men's senior B basketball championship.

Winner of the Saanich series will play the Victoria champion in the lower island playoffs.

Hitting the hoop from all angles the Loggers pulled away from a 15 to 8 first-quarter lead to take a 29 to 12 margin at the half. Duncan was particularly effective in the first half, counting 12 of his 17-point total.

Again in the third frame McNutt's outscored West Heat to

Canadiens Counter With Offer For Leafs

MONTREAL (CP)—Frank Selke handed the ball right back to Toronto Maple Leafs' Happy Day today, countering Day's offer to purchase Maurice (Rocket) Richard with a suggestion Leafs sell four National Hockey League players to Canadiens.

Selke said the Leafs players Canadiens would like to get are Harry Watson, Bill Ezinicki, Max Bentley and Garth Boesch.

The Canadiens' general manager made his offer in a telegram sent to Hap Day's hotel where he is staying with the Leafs prior to their scheduled game with Canadiens tonight.

The telegram followed Selke's quick turn-down yesterday of Hap Day's offer to purchase Richard.

Last night in Toronto Day announced he had authority to offer the entire Leaf bankroll for the services of the all-star right winger. Coach Day hadn't given up on the deal when he led the Leafs on to the train.

RETURN OF STARS DELAYED

Meanwhile Canadiens announced that a little more conditioning is in order for Elmer Lach and Butch Bouchard before they return to competition. They have been out of action several weeks with injuries.

"Mentally and physically Elmer and Butch are fine," said Coach Dick Irvin, "but they need a little more time to get into good trim."

Lach suffered a broken jaw soon before Christmas and Bouchard has been out for some three months because of a knee injury. Twice he has tried to get back into the Canadiens' line-up—only to be sidelined again because he tried to play before he was ready.

"I feel it is wise to hold them out of the next couple of games," said Irvin.

Dutch Track Star May Abandon Tour

BRISBANE (AP)—Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, Netherlands housewife who won four gold medals in last summer's Olympic Games, broke down at a track carnival here Wednesday night and may be forced to abandon her Australian tour.

She is suffering from a strained knee joint which she first injured in a fall at Perth last Saturday.

She failed to complete the course in either of two 80-metre hurdle exhibitions last night.

Her husband and coach, Jan Blankers, said the remainder of the tour was in jeopardy.

RUGBY CANCELED

All scheduled junior and senior interhigh rugby matches this week were canceled owing to unplayable ground conditions, high school officials announced today. Games will be picked up at the end of the regular schedule.

Chicago Pair Move Ahead Of Pack In Ice Scoring Race

Chicago's punch duo of Doug Bentley and Roy Conacher fattened their scoring averages last night when the Hawks dropped a decision to Detroit. Each collected three points and Bentley now leads his clubmate, 51 to 49 in points.

Detroit's Sid Abel and Bud Poile, and Jim Conacher and Gus Bodnar of the Hawks each garnered one point to move up in the race. Bill Mosienko added two assists to break into the select circle.

Leaders follow: G A Pts.
D. Bentley, Chicago 51 32 51
R. Conacher, Chicago 18 31 49
A. Abel, Detroit 19 19 38
Reay, Montreal 18 19 37
J. Conacher, Chicago 18 18 36
Mosienko, Chicago 15 18 33
Poile, Detroit 14 19 33
Bodnar, Chicago 14 19 33

Spokane Ice Squad Blasts Smoke Eaters

TRAIL (CP)—Spokane Spartans Wednesday night rammed a 10 to 3 defeat past Trail Smoke Eaters in a Western International Hockey League game, scoring four times in the first period, three times in the second and adding three more in the third.

McBride, with four counters, paced the visitor's attack while Cy Rousegarth scored two goals and Snider, Scott, Rypien and Petrucci each scored once. Cavanaugh with two goals and Christensen netted goals for Trail who managed to score in each period.

Oak Bay United tripped First Baptist 19 to 11 in a junior game and First Baptist seniors stopped St. Andrew's 22 to 17 in Sunday School Basketball League games this week.



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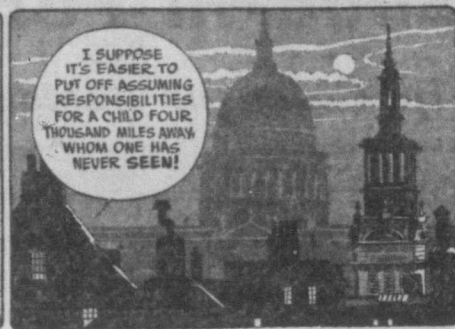
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WASH TUBBS



Blue Bombers Want Schedule Shortened

WINNIPEG (CP)—Winnipeg Blue Bombers are requesting that the Western Interprovincial Football Union 18-game schedule be reduced to 12 or "at the most" 14 games, E. A. (Eddie) Armstrong, Bomber president, said Wednesday.

Letters requesting the change were sent to other clubs involved—Calgary, Regina and Edmonton—following a Bomber executive meeting at which Dr. Bert Oja, former star Bomber line-man and now an executive member, said "an 18-game schedule is too killing for the players." Last season the teams played a 12-game schedule.

Some Bomber players already approached said they would play the 18-game route even if "it killed 'em," but they wanted more money for the privilege.

CALGARY OPPOSED
CALGARY (CP)—Les Lear, coach of the Grey Cup champion Calgary Stampeders, said the Western Interprovincial Football Union needs an 18-game schedule to keep going.

"It is rather late to start talking about cutting down the schedule now," Lear said in commenting on a Winnipeg report that Blue Bombers are seeking a cut to 12 or 14 games in the schedule. Regina football officials also said they were in favor of cutting the schedule.

"If they felt that way about it, why didn't they get up and say so at the recent western conference meeting," Lear said. "When the meeting was held everybody wanted lots of home games. The only way you can have that is with a long schedule."

"Sure an 18-game schedule is tough. But Stampeders played a total of 16 games last season

Seattle, Tacoma Suffer Setbacks In Coast Hockey

A 3 to 1 victory over Seattle put the Los Angeles Monarchs within one game today of the Oakland Oaks, southern division leaders of the Pacific Coast Hockey League.

The win Wednesday night also kept Los Angeles a game ahead of the third-place Fresno Falcons, who edged out San Francisco's Shamrocks 4 to 3.

Los Angeles took a 2 to 0 first-period lead over the visiting Seattle team, went scoreless in the second period while Gordon Kerr netted one for the Ironmen and then led the game in the third period on Pat Dockery's goal.

Fresno scored its win the hard way. The Falcons took a 3 to 0 first-period lead. San Francisco fought back, making it 3 to 3 midway in the final period.

The winning tally came on a freak bounce. Fresno's Eddie Shamlock caromed the puck off San Francisco's Geoff Burman late in the third period near the Shamrock goal. The puck went by San Francisco goalie Duff McDermid into the cage.

At New Westminster, the Royals, northern division leaders, whipped the Tacoma Rockets, 5 to 3.

Norm Kirk and Fred Valenti scored the two winning Royal goals late in the final period.

without any trouble. Every club needs lots of home games to break even. The only solution seems to be the 18-game schedule."

TIME OUT!

By Jeff Keate



"But, Fred, when you came home last night you said you had a terrible score, and were through with bowling!"

N.Y. Yankees Sign First Negro Player

NEW YORK (AP)—New York Yankees Wednesday signed their first negro baseball player—

outfielder Luis Marquez of Baltimore Elite Giants—and became the sixth major league club to hire a negro athlete.

Marquez, 23-year-old centre fielder, is hitting "about 330" with the Aquadilla club of the Puerto Rican Winter League. He will report to Newark Bears, a Yankee farm, next month at their Haines City, Fla., spring training base.

Negotiations are almost completed by the Yanks for another negro star, Artie Wilson, 28-year-old shortstop-manager of the leading Mayaguez team of the Puerto Rican League. Birmingham Black Barons own his contract.

When signed, Wilson also will join Newark. He is hitting .372 in Puerto Rico and led the Negro

American League in 1947 and 1948 with 377 and 404.

CHRISTOPHER CAN PLAY

CLEVELAND (AP)—Lanky Russ Christopher can pitch one more season for Cleveland Indians but he'll have to take it easy because of a bad heart, the tribe management said Wednesday.

For Christopher, the world champions said, that will mean: Pitching only a few innings in any one game; skipping spring training; physical check-ups every six weeks by specialists hired by the club, and no "violent exercise."

This was the second decision of president Bill Veeck of the Indians to allow one of his pitchers to stay with the team on the basis of a medical examination. Last week-end he signed up Don Black after a specialist told him Black had completely recovered from a severe brain injury.

Sports Round-Up

By HUGH FULLERTON JR.

NEW YORK (AP)—In its first three New York shows, the Coaxial A.C., commonly known as the Tournament of Champions, has unveiled three newcomers to the local fight scene... First it was Rusey Payne; then Fritz Pruden of St. Catharines, Ont., now tabbed "The New Miracle of 34th Street" (Pruden never had a big-club main bout until he hit Manhattan centre), and last night Humberto Sierra. Next week Don Lee is due for his first appearance against Walter Cartier... that looks like real competition for the 20th Century's "new faces" program, especially since Lee once beat Harry Markson's newest drawing card, Vince Foster. On the other hand, Don was flattened recently by J. T. Ross, a tall California middleweight who will only get a tryout at St. Nick's... Incidentally, a lot of the fight mob say Ross may be the best prospect of them all.

ONE-MINUTE SPORTS PAGE

Bill O'Brien, New York's new police commissioner, also is No. 1 motor for the St. John's U. basketball team and once coached the Loughlin Lyceum cage team in Greenpoint, Brooklyn... College hockey is going great guns in Boston. As a result, Boston Olympics, who dropped out of the Quebec Senior Hockey League this season, likely will be revived next season with a nucleus of players from Boston College, Boston University, Dartmouth and Northeastern.

HAY LIFT NEEDED

During a dual track meet between Oklahoma U. and North Texas State the other day, Bob Berry Jr. of Oklahoma dropped his false teeth while pole-vaulting. They landed in a pit filled with hay and Bob

Santa Anita

ARCADIA, Calif.—Results of racing at the Santa Anita track Wednesday follow:

First Race—

Compatible \$10.30 \$5.50 \$3.50

Beau's Beau \$6.00 \$3.20

Blue Day \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: None

Second Race—

Grey Swallow \$10.10 \$5.20 \$3.10

Gold Ball \$4.40 \$2.80

Old Dad \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: Castle Oak, Super Bomber

Jade Lad, Flagship, Duffy

Third Race—

Just Why \$8.50 \$4.80 \$3.70

Papagos \$6.40 \$4.30

Chorus \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: None

Fourth Race—

Rejoice \$7.50 \$4.00 \$3.70

Tricket Time \$4.00 \$2.50

Cold Roll \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: Nong

Fifth Race—

Burning Night \$21.40 \$7.00 \$3.80

Bone City \$6.00 \$3.20

Under Current \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: Please Do

Sixth Race—

Ornette \$4.70 \$3.70 \$3.10

Men \$11.00 \$4.80

On The Half \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: None

Seventh Race—

Pay Me \$5.30 \$3.60 \$3.40

Prize Me \$6.10 \$3.40

Blue Tiger \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: None

Eighth Race—

Rusty Gate \$5.00 \$3.70 \$3.00

Big Lakota \$5.80 \$3.20

Soon Again \$4.00 \$2.50

Scratched: None

Ninth Race—

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New Fall Of Snow Brings Work Crews Out To Keep Island Highway Traffic Moving

Victoria escaped the heavy snowfall which hit most of Vancouver Island Wednesday but today the weather reversed and the area south of the Malahat had snow while other regions had little or no additional fall.

A trace of rain was recorded in the city Wednesday. It fell during the early evening. The snow started shortly after 7 this morning.

In the city proper, most of the snow melted soon after striking the ground. In the outlying districts, however, it stayed as snow.

From Craigflower Bridge northward, snow covered the Island Highway. At 8.30 this morning, in fact, the condition of the highway was such that many cars and buses stalled on the Four Mile Hill. They were able to make the grade after 8.45, however, when a provincial works department crew arrived on the scene with a snow plow.

Works department men were out on all parts of the highway soon after the start of the fall, plowing and sanding where necessary.

Work crews were also busy in the Saanichton area, where several inches were reported this morning.

EIGHT INCHES OF FRESH SNOW

Worst hit area today was the Malahat. An official of the traffic department of the Vancouver Island Coach Lines reported eight inches of fresh snow on the 1,250-foot climb.

He said buses were getting through both ways but that many cars which had attempted the climb without chains had stalled. Roads north of the Malahat which were subject to snow Wednesday were icy today because of a slight thaw Wednesday afternoon followed by freezing temperatures overnight.

Duncan had two to three inches of snow Wednesday and an additional flurry during the night. Provincial police in the city reported at 10.30 this morning that there had been no snow since.

Skies were overcast in Duncan and the temperature close to 32 degrees this morning.

BLIZZARD AT NANAIMO

Nanaimo had a regular blizzard Wednesday with between six and eight inches of snow falling. Provincial police in the city said traffic was slowed up by the heavy fall but vehicles with chains were managing.

Snow plows were taken

through the main streets of the city during the early morning hours of today.

At 10 this morning, a constable in Nanaimo reported the sun was trying to shine. He thought there would be no more snow today. He reported the temperature as 36 degrees.

Lake Cowichan has had four inches of snow these past few days, making snow on the level a foot deep. The bottom layer of the ground covering fell in December, the middle layer in January and the top four inches Tuesday and Wednesday.

Lake Cowichan road is in good condition but Mesachie Lake road is reported to be slippery.

SUN BREAKS THROUGH

Snow stopped falling in Victoria at 11.30 this morning and the sun broke through the overcast sky, leading many citizens to believe the rest of the day would be fine.

This opinion was supported by the official weather forecast.

The same forecast predicts overcast skies for Victoria and vicinity Friday morning, clearing in afternoon. Polar air moving southward over B.C. today is expected to bring colder temperatures tonight. The low forecast is 30.

Stiff Punishment For Four Who Gave Young Girl Liquor

Fines of \$300 or three months in jail in default of payment was the punishment imposed on each of the four young men who were found guilty by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court today on a joint charge of supplying a 16-year-old girl with liquor.

The four, all in their early twenties, are Albert Walsh, Collin Noble, Jack Patterson and Angus Plackner, all of Victoria.

Their trial was held Monday and Magistrate Hall adjourned the case to today to consider the evidence before passing judgment.

"It was an adventure on the part of all of you from the inception to its carrying out—a joint adventure," Magistrate Hall said. "I find each one of you guilty."

Berkeley Monteith, defence counsel, pointed out that all had clean records and asked for leniency.

The magistrate noted there was a set penalty under the Govern-

ment Liquor Act for a conviction of this nature and imposed the fine and alternative.

Mr. Monteith asked for time to get the money for the fines, but found the magistrate could not help him there "because this is one act, I am sorry, where I cannot do this."

Says Rape Case 'Most Revolting'

"Circumstances surrounding this case are most revolting," said Col. Eric Pepler, deputy attorney-general, in speaking to the appeal of Leonard Gabel, convicted at the Vernon Assizes of rape and sentenced to seven years in penitentiary and 10 strokes of the lash.

Gabel with three companions, Victor Kellerman, Robert Evans and Rudolph Metz, were found guilty of assaulting two young women near Kelowna last July. Kellerman received a sentence of five years and five strokes for the offence.

Appealing his case in person, Gabel asked the court to appoint a counsel to speak on his behalf and also asked for a copy of the transcript of evidence on the grounds that "rape was a capital crime."

He charged that the trial judge had misdirected the jury and had presented the facts of the case in such a manner as to prejudice the jury against the accused.

In reply, Col. Pepler pointed out that the prisoner had raised many technical points against the conviction, but had made no attempt to argue that he was improperly convicted and to deny his guilt.

The court decided to stand the case down the list of appeals until the judge's report on the case was received.

Remand Assault Case For Judgment

Hardit Singh, 2526 Government Street, was remanded to Saturday morning for judgment on a charge of common assault against the person of Mrs. Agnes Parlee of the same address on Jan. 23. The Hindu is the landlord, the complainant a tenant.

Mrs. Parlee told the court that when she went to the basement to get a pail of water on the morning of the day in question she met the landlord there and that he struck her with his fist on the side of the right eye.

Three Island Firms Among 24 Companies Registered In Week

Two dozen companies, including two Victoria firms, were registered at the Parliament Buildings during the week ended today.

The new Victoria firms are W. D. Palmer Company Ltd., with offices in the Central Building and with authorized capital of \$25,000, and Farwest Motors Ltd., with offices at 530 Bastion Street, and authorized capital of 2,500 no par value shares.

From Port Alberni, Howie Electric, \$10,000, was registered.

Other registrations were: Vancouver — Fred Richmond Motors Ltd., \$20,000; Inter-City Realtors and Insurance Ltd., \$10,000; G. Lorne Fenley Distributors Ltd., \$10,000; Cheliduhill Ltd., \$10,000; MacKay Construction Company Ltd., \$15,000; Snack Shops Ltd., \$10,000; Consolidated Furniture and Fixture Sales Ltd., \$10,000; Pacific Coast Wrecking Company Ltd., \$10,000; Robson Investments Ltd., 75,000 no par value shares; Jackham Holding Company Ltd., \$50,000, and Nimpkish Logging Company Ltd., \$10,000.

Elsewhere in B.C.—Sevian and Evans Ltd., \$30,000; Haney; Game Guide Sporting Goods Ltd., \$10,000; Kelowna; Kennel Industries, \$15,000; New Westminster; Groundwater and Son Ltd., \$100,000; Langley; City Electric (Mission) Ltd., \$10,000; Mission; H. A. Roberts (Abbotsford) Ltd., \$10,000; Abbotsford; Bowl-A-More Recreations Ltd., \$50,000; Penticton; Taylor Cornwall Air Service Ltd., \$25,000; Kamloops, and W. S. Wilson Motors Ltd., \$50,000, Kamloops.

Under the Societies Act, Island Fur Co-operative Association, with offices at 1006 Government Street, Victoria, was registered.

Police Uncover Clever Scheme To Cash Stolen Cheque

Walter Robert Harris, formerly of Winnipeg, made careful plans to establish himself as being connected with a firm in order to have a stolen cheque for \$114 cashed at a local bank.

This was revealed this morning in city police court by city prosecutor C. L. Harrison after Harris had pleaded guilty to the charge of theft of the cheque.

The cheque was made out to Victoria Holly Farms Ltd., and, after securing it, Harris endorsed it "W. R. Harris" and took it to the bank to be cashed.

The bank officials wished proof that he was connected with the firm and according to the prosecutor, Harris then went to the County Registrar's office and signed a declaration registering a partnership in the firm of that name.

Bank officials obtained information from the registrar's office and cashed the cheque for Harris, it was revealed.

The defendant is also awaiting sentence on two charges of forgery and theft of two cheques.

He was remanded to Monday for sentence. Magistrate H. C. Hall wished a report from the probation officer.

Investigations in the case were conducted by Detective Louis Callan.

H. W. Warren, city parks superintendent, said today that no sports events will be allowed over the week-end at Macdonald and Royal Athletic Parks because of frozen ground conditions.



TIME FOR DIAPER CHANGE—It isn't every boy eight years old who has twin sisters born half a minute after midnight New Year's Day to boast about, and Tommy Rickinson, a pupil at Victoria West School, not only loves his sisters but doesn't mind changing the diapers one little bit. The twins are Colleen Agnes and Raynette Kathleen, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rickinson, 288 Stewart. The twins weighed in at 5 pounds 12 ounces and 4 pounds 8 ounces when they were born at St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria's first New Year's Day babies this year. They now weigh 6.11 and 5.09 respectively, and "are doing wonderfully well," according to Mrs. Rickinson.

Medical Service Arrangements For Pensioners Revised By B.C.

20 PER CENT FROM MUNICIPALITIES

Health and Welfare Minister George S. Pearson today announced a revision of arrangements with the College of Physicians and Surgeons to provide full medical services for persons receiving provincial pensions and social assistance.

Under terms of the agreement which covers about 40,000 persons in British Columbia, the provincial government will pay \$14.50 a year to the College of Physicians and Surgeons for each person in receipt of the old-age pension, widow's pension, mother's allowance, blind pension or social assistance.

The new plan, which will come into effect March 1, will provide an integrated system of medical treatment for pensioners in place of the divided plan now operating in municipalities.

At the present time the government has been paying the cost of all services in unorganized territories, but in municipalities they have contributed only 80 per cent. The municipalities have been making their own arrangements for the payment for surgery and specialists in these cases.

Board Certifies Nine Island Unions

The Labor Relations Board has certified nine unions on Vancouver Island as bargaining agents for certain groups of employees. The certifications included:

Saanich Firefighters' Association, No. 967, International Association of Firefighters, for employees of Saanich fire department.

Automotive Maintenance Workers' Union, No. 451, A.F.L., for mechanics at Gladwell Motors Ltd., Victoria. The same union was named bargaining authority for employees of Gavin Jack.

Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, No. 276, for employees of H. Cooley, A. Cooley and Western Heating Products, all of Victoria.

Building Material, Construction and Fuel Truck Drivers' Union, No. 213, A.F.L., for truck drivers, helpers, yardsmen and warehousemen employed by H. A. Simons, Nanaimo.

Esquimalt Municipal Employees' Federal Union, No. 333, T.L.C., for all employees of Esquimalt Municipality.

Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, No. 276, A.F.L., for employees of Universal Sheet Metal Works, Victoria.

Felt and Textile Workers' Federal Union, Local 327, T.L.C., for employees of Felt & Textiles of Canada Ltd., Victoria, who are employed on an hourly basis.

Delegates Back Exemption Revision For Income Tax

The suggestion of Roland Beaudry, Liberal member of the Montreal-St. James, in the House of Commons that the federal government revise income tax exemptions found support of some delegates at the Wednesday night meeting of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council.

V. Butler, delegate from the Musicians' Union, urged all affiliated unions to consider all possible steps in increasing exemptions on income tax. He argued that the exemptions should be geared to the cost of living index.

Two other courses of federal government action were also demanded as follows:

1. Subsidization of milk to keep the retail price at 15c a quart or less.

2. Tightening up of rental control regulation administration.

In the meantime the council's legislative committee was instructed to take under advisement the question of establishment of family courts on Vancouver Island. These instructions followed the reading of a letter requesting the council to support the family courts.

George Wilkinson, retiring secretary-treasurer of the council, outlined the progress made by the council since 1940. He said the prestige of the council now is at an all-time high and that care should be exercised to use this power wisely. He urged vigilance of all delegates to see that those wishing to control or smash the council are curbed.

The newly-elected officers were installed.

U.B.C. Professor To Give Art Talk

"Contemporary Art" is the topic chosen by Prof. David Shapiro of the U.B.C. Department of Architecture for public address at Victoria College auditorium next Monday night at 8.15 under auspices of the local branch of the University Extension Association.

Prof. Shapiro is an artist in his own right. His pictures have been exhibited in parts of the United States, and both the Brooklyn Museum and the U.S. government have his works in their collections. Prof. Shapiro did much to organize U.B.C.'s new art gallery and art centre.

In dealing with the subject of contemporary art, Prof. Shapiro will endeavor to show that contemporary painting is not just abstract art, but many other things as well. He will show how it varies superficially from country to country while its general characteristics are common to all parts of the world.

His lecture will be illustrated with slides.

Jan Peerce, Operatic Tenor, In Best Italian Tradition

By AUDREY S.T.D. JOHNSON

An exceptional artist in many ways—an individualist whose art is personal and appealing—this was the impression left by Jan Peerce after his concert at the Royal Theatre, Wednesday night.

Warm, lovely tone and wide powers of interpretation are ample compensation for a voice that is not particularly powerful nor extensive in range. Vitality is another excellent substitute for mere bigness and Mr. Peerce is not short of that commodity, as he proved very early in the program with Bishop's "Love Has Eyes," to mention only one instance.

'CAMEO ARTIST'

At one point in the concert, with the poetic presentation of Richard Strauss's "Zueignung," and Faure's "Après l'Reve," one almost inclined to describe the singer as a "cameo artist," so pure and clear was his vocal line, so adroit and graceful the phrases, so perfectly proportioned the sentiment; and yet, one of the exceptional things about the whole performance, was that with two operatic arias—the "Tomb Scene" from "Lucia di Lammermoor" and "Eveva le stelle" from "La Tosca," Mr. Peerce made clear that above all things, he is an operatic tenor in the best Italian tradition. Rich coloration, profound dramatic expression, vitality and an absolutely controlled and masterly technique made these numbers—particularly "Tosca"—high points of the evening.

And incidentally, one must pause to admire the beautiful diction; notably the very lively,

excellent German in the Strauss and the Schubert "Ungeduld" ("Thine Is My Heart").

While the first group, opening with "Where're You Walk," was not entirely satisfactory, the last, all modern, left nothing to be desired. "Do You Remember" (Levitzy) created a mood of tender nostalgia that was strikingly contrasted with the vigorous, carefree "Love's Philosophy" of Quilter.

There is no doubt that Jan Peerce's radio fans were partly responsible for the overflow of last night's audience onto the stage itself. Several "requests" and other songs, familiarized on the air, constituted most of the encores and were received with shouts of delight. "La Danza," the Waltz Song from "Die Fledermaus," "The Jasmine Door" and "O Sole Mio" were firm, but "Bluebird of Happiness" is sufficiently sentimental without going into the middle. Mr. Peerce's voice is too fine an instrument and he himself, too real an artist to allow such a lapse in taste.

Warner Bass, who assisted at the piano, is a competent accompanist. However, in his solo group, he permitted technique and display to swamp discretion so that the Chopin Polonaise Militaire suffered through pell-mell tempo and unmusical detail. Debussy's "La Soire Dans Granada" and the De Falla "Ritual Fire Dance" came off a little better, but the encore, "Clair de Lune" was still too coarse in texture.

Oak Bay To Seek Commission's Advice On Plan For Willows

Oak Bay Council will seek the advice of its town planning commission with a view to establishing a general plan for use of the recently-acquired Willows Fairgrounds, Reeve R. A. B. Wootton reported today.

Requests for setting aside a portion of the area for a veterans' housing scheme is still under discussion by the council which has already collected considerable data on such projects.

Wednesday evening, a committee of the whole council received and discussed reports from A. S. G. Musgrave, municipal engineer, and A. D. Findlay, municipal clerk. It was at this meeting the council decided to enlist the aid of the town planning commission.

"The thing is still in a nebulous state at the moment," Reeve Wootton said.

Thieves Get \$50 From Downtown Cafe

Thieves who entered the Penguin Cafe, 1119 Douglas Street, Wednesday night, got \$50 in bills and silver; city police reported this morning.

Chris Hurmuses, manager, told officers he left the cafe at 5 and returned at 9.45 and found the cash missing from a cigar box near the cash register. There is no sign of forcible entry, but Detectives L. Callan and A. Munro reported the bolts of the back door were drawn. The padlock on the gate that leads into the alley behind the cafe from View Street was broken off.

'White Cane Week' Set For Victoria

To better acquaint the public with the problems and abilities of the blind, next week has been set aside as "White Cane Week" in Victoria.

Feature of the seven-day program will be an open house affair presented by members of the White Cane Club during the afternoon of Saturday, Feb. 12, in Prince Robert House.

Handicrafts and art work done by the blind will be displayed and visitors will be shown books of Braille and games available to the blind.

Members of the club's choral group will supply musical entertainment. Refreshments will be served.

White Cane Week is held annually under the sponsorship of the Canadian Council of the Blind and the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

At their meeting next Wednesday afternoon, members of the White Cane Club will hear an address by Sub-inspector H. A. Larsen, captain of the R.C.M.P. patrol vessel St. Roch.

Mrs. M. C. Davies, 1345 Fairfield Road, reported to police Wednesday that a gold square shaped wrist watch was stolen from her kitchen sink on Sunday.

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Man Hurt As 7 Vehicles Involved In 2 Accidents

A B.C. Electric lineman suffered a broken right ankle and seven cars were damaged in two accidents which occurred between 8 and 8.47 this morning on Hillside Avenue, between Douglas and Rose Streets.

The injured man was Dennis Perry, 332 St. James Street, a B.C. Telephone Co. lineman.

The roads of Victoria and district became very slippery with the first snowfall this morning and this condition was blamed by police for these and other more minor traffic troubles.

First accident occurred at 8. A Walter Walker & Sons fuel truck, proceeding west on Hillside, went into a skid and collided with a telephone pole, police said. The impact almost severed the pole, which was held together by a steel pipe running almost its total length. The truck, driven by Fred Beecroft, 3232 Shelly Street, was slightly damaged.

It was then a series of troubles occurred. Constable Ray Maitland took over the task of trying to regulate the heavy traffic in the area and witnessed several accidents within a short time.

He said a milk truck owned by Alfred Clatworthy, B.O. Box 1359, Victoria, parked at the northerly curb of Hillside east of Douglas, was struck lightly in the rear by an auto driven by William Chisholm, 2626 Fifth Street.

Immediately after, a car proceeding in the same direction in charge of Melbourne F. King, 2647 Mt. Stephen Avenue, went into a skid and crashed into the Clatworthy truck, doing further damage to the truck as well as a vehicle ahead.

Another auto traveling west on Hillside, and driven by Harold Cubbon, 1407 Fairfield Road, got into difficulties on the greasy

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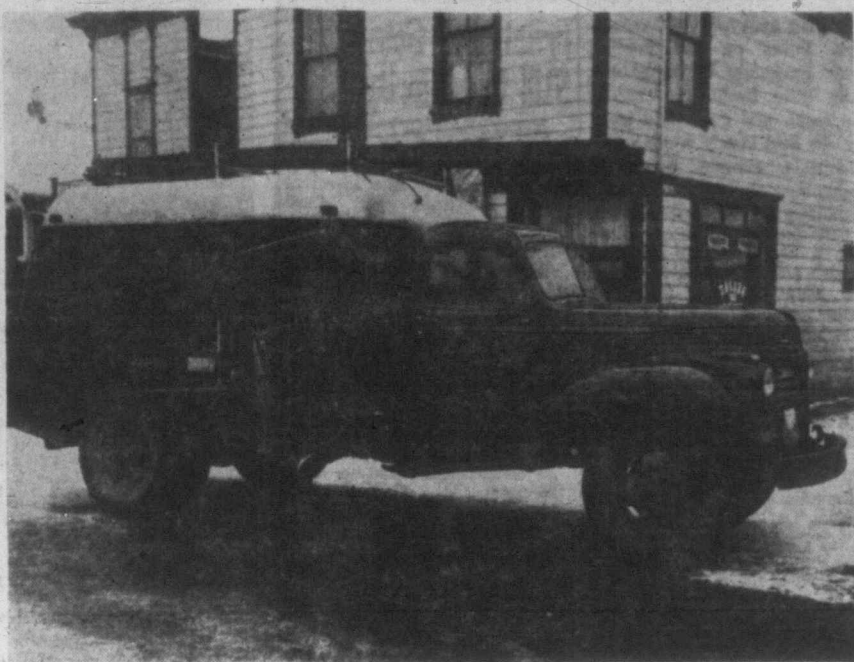
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A lineman's leg was broken when another truck crashed into side of this B.C. Telephone Co. van in which he was sitting.

surface and collided with the rear of the King car, adding further damage to all the vehicles involved. It was the final link in the chain of accidents.

Constable Maitland, who attended with Constables Dick Berry, James Strong and motorcycle policemen Donald Buie and Nap Bouhard, estimated damage at \$300.

The city works department was called on to spread sand at the intersection, described by police as a sheet of ice.

The B.C. Telephone truck

Rose and Hillside 47 minutes later had just left this scene and was en route to get a telephone pole to replace the damaged one.

Constable Berry said the telephone company van, driven by Clarence R. Leask, 3025 Shelbourne Street, was proceeding east on Hillside, attempted to turn north on Rose and was blocked by oncoming traffic.

The officer said that a fuel truck, driven west on Hillside by Robert N. Adams, 839 Bay Street,

was unsuccessful in attempting to stop on the slippery road surface and skidded head-on into the B.C. Telephone truck which was broadside on at the time.

Lineman Perry was seated behind the front seat of the telephone company truck, right where the other vehicle hit. His right leg got the brunt of the impact. He was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital by police.

The forward right-hand side of the truck the injured man was riding in, was extensively damaged by the collision.

Claims Wife Cold Due To Defective Hot Water Furnace

"My wife was upstairs perishing with cold," W. A. Scott testified today in County Court in the damage suit brought against him by Arthur Southall, proprietor of the Southall Stove Co.

Mr. Southall claimed a sum of \$805 from Mrs. Grace E. Scott and Mr. Scott for the installation of a hot water furnace and services and materials rendered in connection with the heating plant for the Guest House Hotel.

Mr. Scott admitted he bought the heating plant, but claimed the furnace was of no use to him as it did not heat the building properly. He also alleged that the furnace was negligently installed by the plaintiff.

According to Mr. Southall the circulating job for the furnace was good and everything had been done to remedy defects with regard to the performance of the furnace.

The case is before Judge H. H. Shandley. L. G. McKenzie is counsel for the plaintiff, while Allan Baker is representing the defendants.

Another request for permission to hold a tag day was received by the city today. Mrs. V. Holker, secretary of the Victoria Boys' Band, said the group of musicians was not sponsored by any organization and it deserved assistance. If a tag day could not be granted, she asked for a grant from the city.

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Vancouver Girl Is Sought Here

Vancouver police have asked the assistance of city police to find Gloria Walker, 15, of the mainland city, who has been missing since Jan. 25. There is a possibility she may be here.

The missing girl is the daughter of Mrs. A. Walker, 1124 Howe Street. When last seen she was wearing a wine-colored sweater, has a full head of dark hair, brown eyes and is said to weigh about 115 pounds. She is five feet two inches tall.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of this girl is asked to contact the city detective office immediately.

Ted Sangster, proprietor of the Veterans Auto Sales, Quadra Street, reported to police Wednesday night that during the last few nights gasoline had been stolen from vehicles on the used car lot and ignition wires tampered with.

More Tennis Courts May Be Built Here

The city's plan to build tennis courts at Stadacona Park this year, in answer to complaints that little encouragement is given the sport here, may be supplemented by action of the Kinsmen Club.

W. H. Warren, city parks superintendent, said the club has offered to build a court at Beacon Hill Park, and that the offer would be accepted if some other organization will duplicate the club's action.

He said at least two courts are needed at Beacon Hill and at other parks. A single court would not be at all satisfactory.

The city hopes to build two at Stadacona Park. Cost is expected to be under \$3,000 for the pair.

The James Bay Parent-Teacher Association is holding a special meeting next Tuesday to discuss possible financing of a tennis court in its district.

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Reviews Progress Of Social Credit

Progress of social credit in local and national affairs was reviewed at the annual meeting of the Social Credit Association of Saanich at the annual meeting at the new centre, Mt. Newton Cross Road, by G. H. Pethick, vice-president of Southern Vancouver Island.

A. H. Jukes, national vice-president, announced issue of the new paper "Pacific Current," copies of which were distributed.

L. L. King was elected president for the ensuing year, Miss Sylvia Piddington deputy president.

It was decided to hold fortnightly meetings on the pattern of "Town Meeting" on an educational basis and forward the recommendations of the meeting to the local members of the Legislature.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Winnifred Hughes for her presentation of a handsome tea urn.

Helicopter Flight

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—Completing the longest massed flight of its kind on record, four U.S. navy helicopters landed Wednesday at the end of a 3,500-mile trip from Bridgeport, Conn. The aircraft were 15 days en route, making the journey in a series of daytime hops, but the total flying time was only 38.3 hours.

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Follows Narrow Price Course

NEW YORK (AP)—The stock market steered along a narrow price course today.

Stocks affected by special developments stirred up a little interest but on the average the price level showed no significant change.

Oils and rails gave way fractionally to mild pressure while motors and a handful of specialists attracted half-hearted support.

Columbia Broadcasting showed one of the wider swings. The "A" and "B" shares each lost more than two points following word that directors had trimmed the dividend to 35 cents from 50. Both issues established 1948-49 lows.

Dow Jones closing averages:
30 industrials... 180.09, off .18
20 rails... 52.62, off .23
15 utilities... 35.13, up .07
65 stocks... 65.51, off .09
Total sales 770,000.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Stock	Close	High	Low
Allied Chemicals	107-1/2	108-1/2	107-1/2
American Can	86-1/2	87-1/2	86-1/2
American Tobacco	52-1/2	53-1/2	52-1/2
American Tel. and Tel.	147-1/2	148-1/2	147-1/2
Anacostia Copper	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Armstrong	39-1/2	40-1/2	39-1/2
Atlantic	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Canadian Pacific	120-1/2	121-1/2	120-1/2
Canadian National	120-1/2	121-1/2	120-1/2
Central Leather	120-1/2	121-1/2	120-1/2
Commonwealth	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Dalhousie	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Empire	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
General Motors	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Goodyear	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Great Northern	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
International	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Johns-Manville	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Kennecott Copper	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Norfolk and Western	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Pacific Gas Electric	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Packard Motor	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Pennsylvania Railroad	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Pepsi Cola	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Procter & Gamble	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Republic Steel	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Schenley Distillers	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Standard Oil California	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Standard Oil New Jersey	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Seam Roebuck	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Southern Railway	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Southern Pacific	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Texas Corp.	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Union Carbide	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
United Aircraft	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
U.S. Steel	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2
Westinghouse Electric	32-1/2	33-1/2	32-1/2

Canadian Bonds

(By Investment Dealers' Association)

Bond	Close	High	Low
Dom. 2 1/2 1951	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1954	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1956	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1958	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1960	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1962	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1964	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1966	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1968	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1970	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1972	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1974	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1976	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1978	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1980	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1982	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1984	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1986	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1988	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1990	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1992	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1994	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1996	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 1998	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2
Dom. 2 1/2 2000	102-1/2	103-1/2	102-1/2

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Smelters Lead Firmer Issues

TORONTO (CP)—Base metals attempted recovery of Wednesday's losses on the Toronto Stock Exchange Thursday but made little headway. Trading was quiet, and golds and west-ern oils held steady while a few industrials showed signs of weakening.

Smelters led the firmer issues in base metals, advancing more than a \$1. Quemet added a fraction and Normetal, Labrador and East Sullivan improved. Waite Amulet and Noranda moved into easier ground.

Toronto closing averages:
20 industrials... 177.46, off .25
20 golds... 98.65, up .23
10 base metals... 104.57, up 1.09
15 western oils... 55.08, up .76
Total sales 867,000.

(By A. E. Ames & Co.)

Stock	Close	High	Low
Aluminum	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Alum. Co. of Canada	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Co.	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Corp.	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Industries	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Ltd.	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Mines	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Properties	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Resources	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Securities	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Services	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Supplies	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Systems	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Technology	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Training	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Transport	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Utilities	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Ventures	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Investments	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Holdings	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Partners	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Associates	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Corporation	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
Asbestos Limited	22-1/2	23-1/2	22-1/2
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London Market

LONDON (Reuters)—A revival of interest in South African gold-mining shares provided a feature in markets Thursday.

Buyers were current that the Union may sell part of its gold in the free market of the world and this brought in buyers of the low grade producers. Useful gains were widespread.

In industrial there was small demand for breweries and textiles and tobacco. The long-dated gilt-edged stocks met renewed buying but activity in this section was smaller than of late.

Oils were harder than mentioned. Mexican Eagle moved up 60 renewed inquiry. Foreign bond section was idle but some losses were to be seen among the War Bonds.

Closing quotes: Babcock & Wilcox 7 1/2, Boots Pure Drug 5 1/2, Canadian Pacific 2 1/2, Central Mining 5 1/2, Consolidated Goldfields 5 1/2, Courtauld 3 1/2, Hudson's Bay Co. 7 1/2, Imperial Chemical 4 1/2, Metal Box 10 1/2, Mex. Eagle 1 1/2, Rand Mines 9 1/2, etc.

Fractional Gains Still In Majority

MONTREAL (CP)—Fractional gains continued in majority among selected industrials near the final hour on the Montreal Stock Exchange and Curb Market today. Trading was light.

Mines moved at a brisk pace and brought slightly improved prices. Oils were quiet and steady. Beverages dipped slightly, but utilities, papers and other industrials moved on a slow uptrend.

Montreal closing averages:
20 industrials... 127.00, up .60
10 utilities... 72.60, unch.
30 combined... 108.90, up .40
15 golds... 67.23, up .69
10 papers... 371.14, up 1.56
Total sales 125,800.

James Richardson & Sons Ltd.		Bid	Ask
Can. Invest. Fund		22 1/2	
Bank of Montreal		25 1/2	
Bank of Nova Scotia		25 1/2	
Royal Bank		25 1/2	
Bank of Toronto		26 1/2	
Atlas Steel		12 1/4	
Ashtabul Cons.		20	
Ashtabul Pfd.		20	
Algoma Steel		52 1/2	
Aluminum Cons.		20	
Aluminum pfd.		20	
Asbestos Corp.		21	
Bathurst A.S.		21	
Bay Telephone		19 1/2	
Brazilian Traction		19 1/2	
B.C. Amer. Cons.		19 1/2	
B.C. Forest Prod.		19 1/2	
B.C. Puzer A.S.		19 1/2	
Brown Cons.		19 1/2	
Brown pfd.		99 1/2	100
Brum Mills A.S.		20	
Brum Mills B.		20	
Buhlo Gold		10 1/2	
Buhlo Gold		10 1/2	
Can. Dom. Sugar		29 1/2	
Can. Maltng.		47 1/2	
Can. Nor. Power		13 1/2	
Can. Ss. Cons.		13 1/2	
Can. Ss. pfd.		36 1/2	
Can. Breweries		20 1/2	
Can. Bronze		20 1/2	
Can. Cat and Fary. Cons.		13 1/2	
Can. Cess.		13 1/2	
Can. Dredge and Dock		20 1/2	
Can. Ind. Alcohol		11 1/2	
Can. Locomotives		11 1/2	
Can. Pac. Ry.		77 1/2	
Can. Ry. Equip.		77 1/2	
Cockshutt Plow		14 1/2	
Cons. Ind. Alcohol		14 1/2	
Cans. Paper		27 1/2	
Consumers Glass		16 1/2	
Canstlers Sagrams		16 1/2	
Dom. Bridge		34 1/2	
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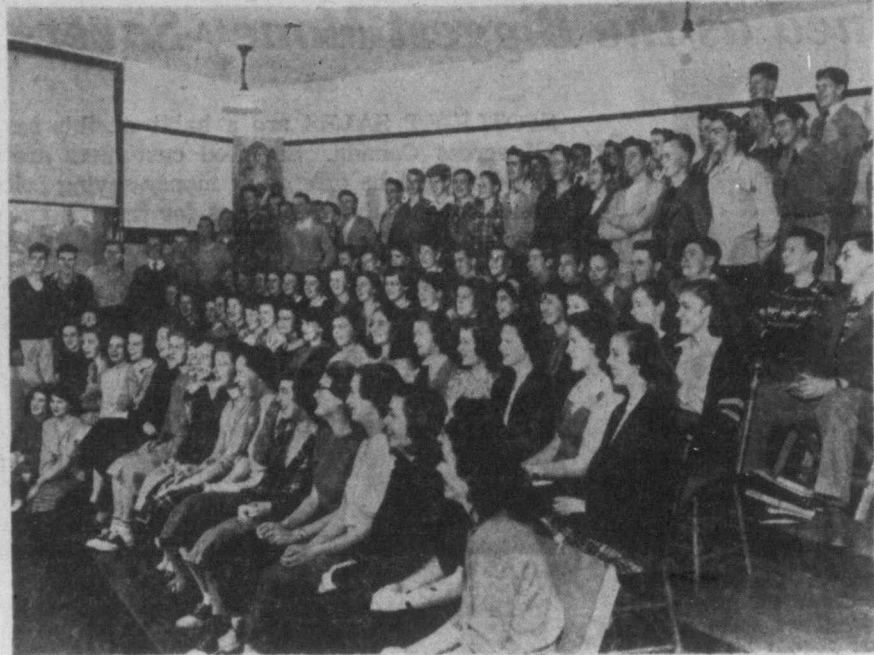
Urges Parish To Make Church Self-Supporting

SOOKE—Rev. H. M. Bolton urged members of the congregation of Holy Trinity Church here to lead efforts in making the parish self-supporting by the end of 1949, at the annual vestry meeting.

Growth of the Sunday school to 68 children was reported. The financial report showed all commitments to the Synod office paid in full. A new room was added to the church for the Sunday school during the year.

D. H. Chivers was re-elected vicar's warden, H. G. Gates people's warden, and F. L. Paddon secretary-treasurer.

On the church committee are: F. S. Mackie, H. Pickering, Mr. Davies, Mrs. C. B. Schreiber, Mrs. W. J. McCauley, Mrs. S. McBride, Mrs. E. Nixon, Mrs. H. L. Roberson and Mrs. Sargent. Ruri-decanal delegates are: Mrs. Nixon and Mrs. Roberson, and representatives to Synod, Mr. Chivers with Mr. Paddon as alternate. H. H. Brown is auditor.



REHEARSE FOR SPRING CONCERT—Portion of the 200-voice mass mixed choir of students from Victoria High School who will be heard in three choral groups at the annual spring concert in the auditorium Friday and Saturday nights at 8.15. Under the direction of Miss Norma Douglas, choir will present English, Chinese and Indian folk songs, as well as selections portraying winter.

Park Development Board's Chief Aim

NANAIMO—Main objective of the Nanaimo Parks Board this year will be the development of Bowen Park, with an interview with Hon. R. C. Macdonald, on the matter, included in the board's plans.

Phillip Piper, chairman, announced that the Nanaimo Gryo Club planned to install playground equipment and complete other improvements at the park.

The board asked Commissioner Harry Tuck to speed up plans for park beautification, so that they could be included in the budget, which has to be approved by city council. Already included in the estimates is a curb for the war memorial site on Front Street to

Cordova Bay Clinic Draws 235 Residents

CORDOVA BAY — A total of 235 residents of Cordova Bay and district attended the mobile chest clinic at McMorran's here.

Mrs. E. W. Walker of Saanich Health Unit was in charge for the day. Assisting were: Mrs. K. M. Lewis, Mrs. P. Williams, Mrs. J. Walker, Mrs. E. Buckle, Mrs. K. K. John, Mrs. G. Ross, Mrs. K. R. Genn, Mrs. Noel Andrews and Mrs. I. E. Green and Mrs. V. E. I. Goddard, ledger keeper, all members of the local Parent-Teacher Association.

cost \$700, renewal of the fountain here and a sprinkling system for Georgia Park.

Residents Organize For Cumberland Road

PORT ALBERNI—Formation of residents' organizations throughout the district to demand action on the Cumberland-Alberni Road, was announced by P. A. Codyre, president of the Beaver Creek Residents' Association, in an address to the Alberni District Chamber of Commerce.

He said plans for the road were laid 40 years ago without any effort at construction. He urged a united front from the upper island on road needs and warned Tofino residents that the Alberni-Tofino road would be treated the same as the Cumberland road unless a united stand was taken.

Stolen Jail Delays Fining In Kinsmen Klondike Contest

LAKE COWICHAN—Constable Stanley Hodges, reports that sometime during the night of Monday or early Tuesday morning, the "stocks," built by the Lake Cowichan Kinsmen, for their "inquisition tortures," connected with the Klondike celebrations, were stolen.

"There is dirty work at the crossroads," according to the Kinsmen who have offered a reward of \$5 for any information leading to the apprehension of the culprit or culprits.

The "stocks" were to be used when beardless men, refused to pay the two dollar fine, for not growing a beard for the coming "Klondike Nite."

The first scheduled kangaroo court will now have to be adjourned until the missing jail is located.

Cobble Hill Farmers Propose Trade Pact, Support Margarine

COBBLE HILL—An agreement of trade, similar to that between Britain and Poland, to exchange farm produce for manufactured goods was recommended in a resolution passed by the Shawinigan Farmers Institute and Cobble Hill Agricultural Society at the annual meeting in Cobble Hill Hall.

Members viewed with alarm the loss of British markets to Canadian farmers.

A resolution favoring the manufacture and sale of margarine with certain limitations as to color and packaging passed by the Shuswap Okanagan Dairy Industries Co-operative Association was endorsed.

The institute and agricultural society decided to join the British Columbia Federation of Agriculture.

At an election of officers and directors, all were re-elected with R. B. Moulton, president, in the chair. The meeting decided to form a poultry division within the institute and Maj. A. A. Ransom, George Saunders and M. E. Squires were asked to study matters of interest to poultrymen, such as purchase of feed in carload lots.

Mr. Moulton gave an outline of institute activities in his annual report while T. P. Barry, secretary to the hall trustees, referred to improvements carried out during the year.

Ladysmith To Vote On School By-laws

LADYSMITH—Ratepayers here will vote Feb. 17, and Chemainus and the rural section on Feb. 19, on by-laws totaling \$282,000 for a new junior-senior high school and reconstruction of elementary schools, at Ladysmith, according to announcement of Trustee C. C. Jones, chairman of the school board.

Share of the city of Ladysmith is \$54,000, North Cowichan municipality, Chemainus, \$91,500 and the rural section, \$136,500. Department of Education will grant the remaining 50 per cent of the \$560,000 cost.

Trustees W. Ilsen of Chemainus and D. Wilson, North Oyster, cast negative votes when the report from the plebiscite committee received approval. A separate school at Chemainus is favored by some ratepayers there and Trustee Wilson said that his area was dissatisfied with distribution of costs. He agreed that new schools were needed.

VANCOUVER (CP)—Fire of undetermined origin today caused an estimated \$50,000 damage as it swept through the three-story factory of Acme Peat Products Ltd., near suburban Richmond.

Legion Criticizes Hospital Scheme

ALBERNI — Somass Branch No. 169 of the Canadian Legion claimed at a meeting here, that the British Columbia hospital insurance plan was working poorly with respect to veterans and veterans' dependents who are recipients of war veterans' allowances or whose allowances have been suspended.

The meeting decided to bring the matter to the attention of federal and provincial authorities and the Dominion and provincial commands of the Legion.

Comox Liberals Hear Of Meeting

PARKSVILLE — Democratic nature of the B.C. Liberal Association executive meeting held in Vancouver in December, and the freedom allowed the members in explaining their own opinions, were commended by Dr. T. W. Sutherland, president, in a talk to the Comox-South Liberal Association, here.

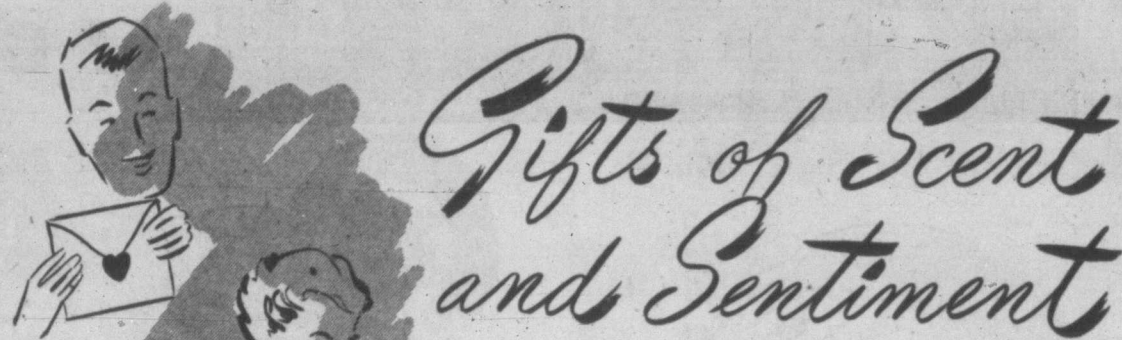
He outlined some of the points discussed at the executive meeting. Referring to the history of the Liberal Party, Dr. Sutherland said it had carried on for the past 100 years without changing the name.



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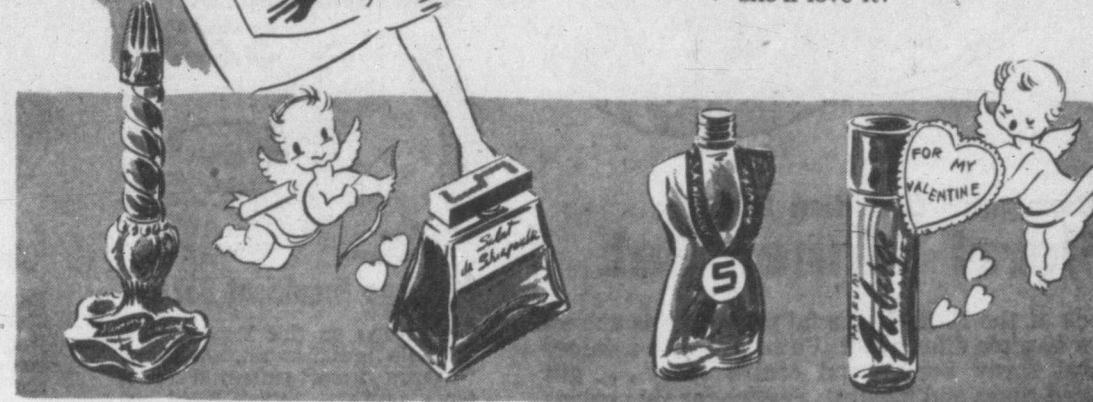
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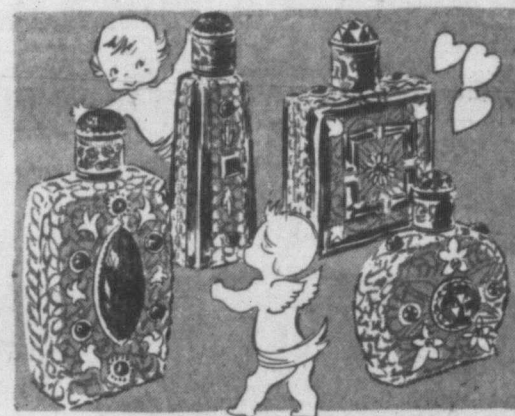
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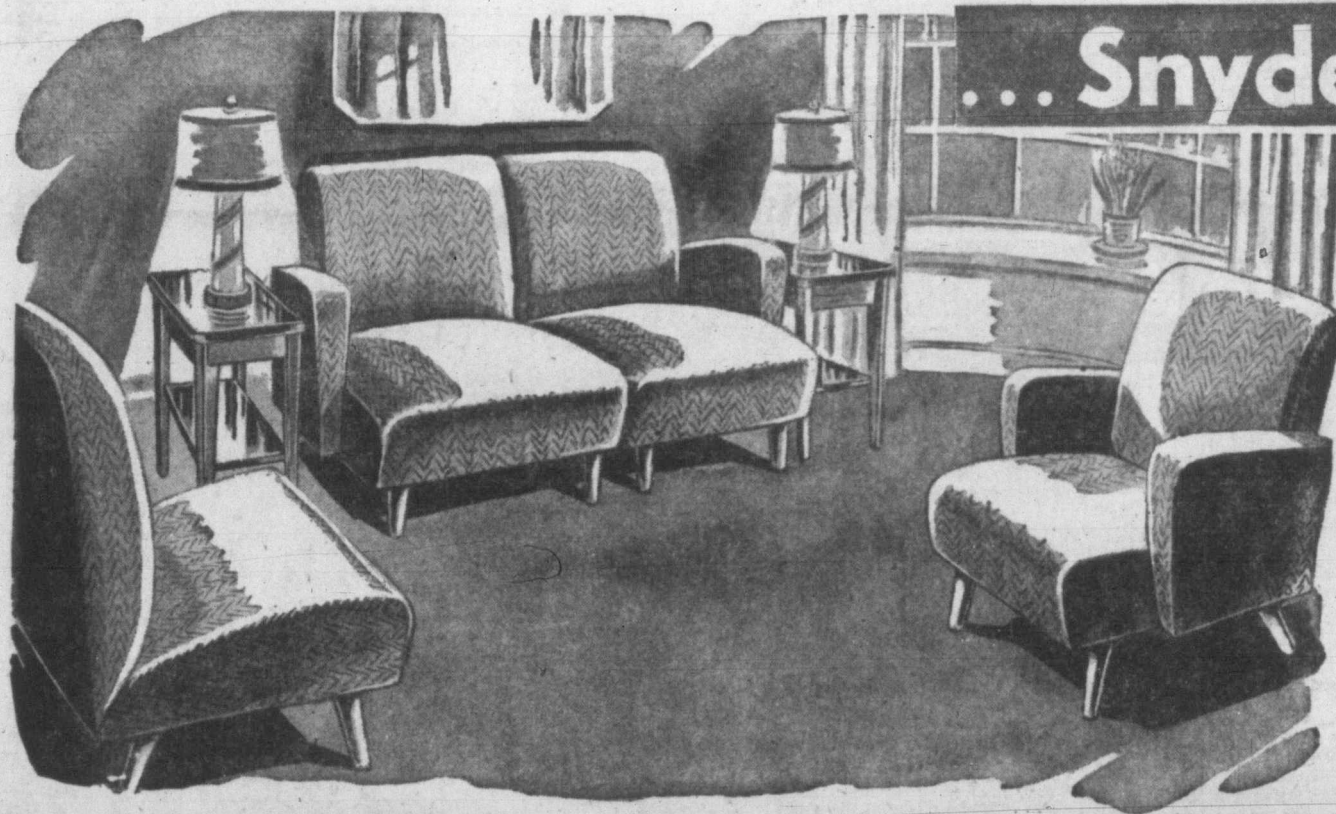
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